

ING

When we added E onto the end of short words like *bit*, making it *bite*, the E made the I say its name.

To make the word bite – ing, we write *biting*. The second vowel makes the first say its name.

But sometimes we don't want the vowel to say its name! To write hug – ing, we write *hugging*. We put in a double letter to keep the vowels apart so the second vowel doesn't make the first vowel say its name.

Read these examples of double letter words:

bed	bedding
bet	betting
fan	fanning
fit	fitting
get	getting
hop	hopping
hum	humming

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jig	jigging
let	letting
map	mapping
mop	mopping
pop	popping

The words below don't need an extra letter. Why?

limp	limping
jump	jumping
bump	bumping
help	helping
tell	telling

I like telling time.

I like helping with mopping.

The hopping and jumping game is fun.

I must get the puppy bedding.