-tial or -cial

The word endings -tial and -cial make the sound 'shul'.

Use a dictionary to find and write which of the word endings is used for these words...

ra	commer
spa	offi
SO	confiden
spe	torren

Now look at your list and see if you can see a rule for when to use -tial and when to use -cial.

Challenge:

Choose 3 of the words to write in a sentence so you can show that you know what they mean.

1.			

2. _____

3. _____

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ini	essen
artifi	poten

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Challenge:

4.

Choose 5 of the words to write in a sentence so you can show that you know what they mean.

1.		
2.		
3.		

5. _____

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spa	commer	
substan	artifi	
spe	confiden	
ini	torren	
impar	quintessen	
essen	poten	
cru	benefi	
finan	influen	
Now look at your list and see if you can see a rule for when to use –tial and when to use –cial.		





Challenge:

Choose 8 of the words to write in a sentence so you can show that you know what they mean.

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2.	
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6.	
7.	
8.	

-tial or -cial **Answers**

Rules

In most cases, you should:

- use -cial after a vowel.
- use -tial after a consonant.

Exceptions

consonant + cial exceptions include:

financial, commercial and provincial

This is because the root words end in -ce (finance - financial, commerce - commercial, province - provincial) so the c is already there.

*	racial	commercial
	spatial	official
	social	confidential
	special	torrential

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	social	confidential
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	initial	essential
	artificial	potential

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	substantial	artificial
	special	confidential
	initial	torrential
	impartial	quintessential
	essential	potential
	crucial	beneficial
	financial	influential

