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| **Cut this top row off before you give the sort to pupils!**  **L and ll** sort  The /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ sounds are usually spelt as **ff**, **ll**, **ss**, **zz** and **ck** if they come straight after a single/short vowel letter in short words.  **Exceptions**: if, pal, us, bus, yes. | | |
| Sort options:  Closed sort by long or short vowel before the l sound  Closed sort by spelling – l or ll | | Long vowel |
| Short vowel | l | ll |
|  | pill | gorilla |
| telly | hello | heal |
| heel | smell | gull |
| learn | will | balloon |
| valley | meal | email |
| tile | tail | curl |