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| **Endings which sound like /ʃəl/** **–cial** is common after a vowel letter and **–tial** after a consonant letter, but there are some exceptions. **Exceptions**: initial, spatial, palatial, controversial, financial, commercial, provincial (the spelling of the last three is clearly related to *finance*, *commerce* and *province*).**Cut this top row off before you give the sort to pupils!** |
|  Listening sort followed by a speed or  closed sort according to cial or tial.  You could do a word class sort. |  |  |
| official | special | partial |
| confidential | essential | facial |
| social | initial | substance |
| glacial | sacrificial | racial |
| substantial | face | residential |
| confidential | insubstantial | torrential |
| confidence | crucial | potential |