

Consonant Sound /s/ spelled “ss”

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1-syllable	2-syllable	
bass	ass ault	pass word
bless	ass ert	poss ess
bliss	ass ess	vess el
boss	ass ign	a byss
brass	ass ist	ab scess
chess	ass ume	ac cess
class	ass ent	a cross
cress	bloss om	ac tress
cross	boss y	add ress
dress	cass ette*	a mass
fuss	cass ock	can vass
glass	class ic	car cass
gloss	diss ect	care less
grass	dress er	car ess
gross	ess ay	com pass
guess	ess ence	com press
hiss	foss il	con fess
kiss	fuss y	con gress
lass	glass es	coun tess
less	gloss y	damp ness
loss	goss ip	dark ness
mass	hass le	de pressed
mess	less on	di scuss
miss	mass age*	di smiss
moss	mass ive	di stress
pass	miss ile	du chess
press	miss ing	end less
stress	less en	ex cess
toss	lass o	ex press
	mess age	fear less
	mess y	fit ness
	muss el	for tress
	pass age	godd ess
	pass port	har ass
		harm less

	3-syllable	4-syllable
har ness		
heir ess**	ass ass in	ac cess or y
hel pless	ass em ble	ne cess ar y
home less	ass em bly	ne cess i ty
hope less	ass ign ment	
im press	ass i stant	
mad ness	ess en tial	
matt ress	gloss ar y	
mi stress	mass a cre*	
price less	mess en ger	
prin cess	pass en ger	
pro cess	pess i mist	
pro gress	poss i ble	
reck less	poss i bly	
re stless	puss y cat	
ruth less		
sense less	co loss al	
sick ness	em bass y	
spot less	pro fess or	
suc cess		
ti gress	em barr ass	
tre spass	li o ness	
un dress	na sti ness	
un less	sill i ness	
use less	stew ar dess	
wai tress	wil der ness	
weak ness		
wit ness		
worth less		

*Indicates an unusual spelling

**Indicates an extraneous letter