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Date: January 28, 2007 06:19 PM

Author: Laura Taylor V.N. (lajetvioun2@hotmail.com)

How would you write TEPB/EUGS (or EURB for some theories)
What about THRAOE/EUGS

tenish definitely looks wrong and could easily be read incorrectly. I didn't find a rule to cover this. Does it matter if the number is greater than 10? smaller than 10?

Assume this doesn't refer to a time. Does it matter.

There were about TEPB/EUGS of them.

We met for tea about THRAOE/EUGS

We met for tea about TWEF/EUGS.

I want to say it happened around TEPB/EUGS

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Date: January 28, 2007 06:45 PM

Author: Cathryn Bauer (cathryn@mindspring.com)

Subject: Suffix

Greetings:

My suffix ~ish is KWREURB, so that's what I would write.

And it always looks wrong when I write it, too.

Blessings, Cathryn

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Date: January 28, 2007 07:06 PM

Author: Laura Taylor V.N. (lajetvioun2@hotmail.com)

Oops. I wasn't very clear. I'm sorry. How would you write it in the tript?

There were about TEPB/EUGS of them.

There were about 10ish of them.

OR

There were about 10-ish of them.

OR

There were about tenish of them.

OR

There were about ten-ish of them.

The rest of the examples change as to whether you are referring to a number or time, and whether the number is larger or smaller than 10. Do those factors make a difference as to how you write it up.

There were about THRAOE/EUGS present

Tehre were about TWEF/EUGS present.

We met for tea about TWEF/EUGS.

I want to say it happened around THRAOE/EUGS

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Date: January 28, 2007 07:12 PM

Author: Janice Cummings (janicec678@aim.com)

Subject: ish

Morson's Guide Rule 164: Generally, the suffixes ish, wise, and type are added to words without inserting a hyphen.

Examples:

a. I met her around sevenish at night

b. He was tall and largeish....

c. I think it was nine-thiryish or tenish. (Yup, it's in there!)

I don't really like it either, but there it is!

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Date: January 28, 2007 07:18 PM

Author: Cathryn Bauer (cathryn@mindspring.com)

Subject: Removed earlier post

Greetings:

Lillian has spoken.

Blessings, Cathryn

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Date: January 28, 2007 08:10 PM

Author: Laura Taylor V.N. (lajetvioun2@hotmail.com)

Subject: oh Yuck.

Thanks for finding the Morson's reference. I totally missed it. For most of the words, even the numbers, it doesn't bother me, but "tenish" just looks so bad. If you do a google search for "tenish" it asks you if you mean "tennis", and gives a lot of hits for some person or a character named "Tenish." If you do a onelook.com search it doesn't come up with anything either - but gives you hits for "tennis." I think "tenish" looks easy to misread. Any chance it comes under the exception of "coining an expression" (she asks knowing the answer is no.) How about writing it 10ish. I really don't mind twoish, and threeish. Those seem less likely to be stumbled over.

Well thanks for listening - and finding the answer (she says as she thrashes and gnashes while changing the word to "tenish.") ugh. But I really do appreciate you finding the answer. I may gnash and thrash, and not like it, but at least I know the answer and can move on to my next problem.

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