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In 1996, a joint session of the orthographical committees from Austria, Germany and Switzerland decided to reform German spelling rules for better consistency. In particular, the letter $\beta$ was in some (not all) cases replaced by the letter combination ss. The table below lists some German words in both orthographical variants as well as the corresponding English words:

## German (old orthography)

## German (new orthography)

| Boß | Boss <br> daß <br> Nuß | dass |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Nuss | boss |  |
| that |  |  |
| mußt | küss | nut |
| Walroß | musst | kiss! |
| barfuß | Walross | must |
| groß | barfuß | walrus |
| Soße | groß | barefoot |
| Straße | Soße | great |
| süß | Straße | sauce |
| Auslaß | süß | street |
| Baß |  | sweet |
| Biß |  | outlet |
| Floß |  | bass |
| Fußball |  | bit |
| Geißhirt |  | float |
| grüß |  | football |
| schieß |  | goatherd |
| Schuß |  | greet |
| Schweiß |  | shoot |

Assignment 1. Fill in the omissions in the table, providing the new orthographical versions of the German words.
Assignment 2. Do you think it is easier or harder for the foreigners to read German in the new orthography? Explain your solution.
Note. No knowledge of German is required for solving this problem.

