

Dear Parent,

Your child is learning how vowels, (a, e, i, o, u) can make different sounds. For example ‘e’ can have a short vowel sound (‘e’ as in ‘egg’) or a long vowel sound (‘e’ as in ‘eve’). All these words contain a long ‘e’ sound and follow the spelling rule given below. Please help by practicing these words with your child.

- Point out the long ‘e’ sounds and how the letter patterns ‘ale’, ‘ake’, ‘ame’ etc make the words rhyme. Try to think of other words that follow the same pattern.
- Discuss the meaning of the words and try to think of a sentence containing the word.

Thank you for your help.

Rule	<i>Magic (or silent) ‘e’ makes the vowel ‘e’ say its name (long vowel sound). Very few use magic ‘e’.</i>
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eve <i>(list 12:1)</i>	Practice 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practice 2 <i>(copy again)</i>	Practice 3 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
eve				
even				
event				
Steve				
Steven				

ete <i>(list 12:2)</i>	Practice 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practice 2 <i>(copy again)</i>	Practice 3 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
Pete				
compete				
complete				
delete				
athlete				

<i>(list 12:3)</i>	Practice 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practice 2 <i>(copy again)</i>	Practice 3 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
here				
these				
theme				
scene				