

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 'met') or a long vowel sound ('e' as in 'meet'). All these words contain a long 'e' sound made in different ways. Please help by practising these words with your child. Thank you for your help.

- Point out how the long 'e' sounds are made in each list.
- Try to think of other words that rhyme, follow the same rule or pattern.
- Discuss the meaning of the words and try to think of a sentence containing the word.

<i>(list 1:12)</i>	Practise 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practise 2 <i>(copy again)</i>	Practise 3 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
Spelling tip:	<i>Double 'ee' gives a long 'e' sound.</i>			
<i>deep</i>				
<i>sheep</i>				
<i>sleep</i>				
<i>sweet</i>				
<i>street</i>				

Spelling tip:	<i>When two vowels go out walking the first one does the talking, so 'ea' can make a long 'e' sound.</i>			
<i>seat</i>				
<i>treat</i>				
<i>dream</i>				
<i>steam</i>				
<i>reach</i>				

Spelling tip:	<i>Magic (or silent) 'e' makes the vowel 'e' say its name (long 'e' sound). There are very few of these.</i>			
<i>eve</i>				
<i>here</i>				
<i>these</i>				
<i>theme</i>				

Choose 3 words and write a sentence. Remember to use the correct punctuation.