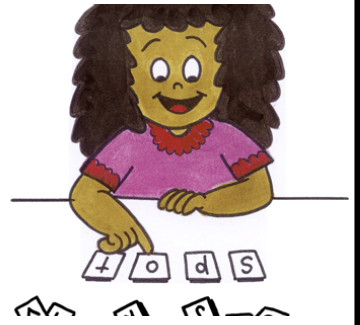


English

Phonics fun...



Try these activities for the **ai**, **ay**, **a_e** sounds

Activities & Games!

- Time yourself—in 1 minute think of as many words as you can containing the **ai**, **ay**, **a_e** sound . You could play with a partner and try timing them too.
- Make your own pelmanism game (pairs game). Write words on one card and a picture to match on another card. Create as many as you like and then arrange them face down on the table. Take it in turns to turn over and match the cards.
- Write **ai**, **ay**, **a_e** spellings out on cards. Pick one of the **ai**, **ay** or **a_e** cards and race a partner to write as many as possible.
- Play charades! Think of a word and act it out. Can your partner guess your word?

I can spell...

Can you spell these words? Do you notice any patterns? Where does the **/a/** sound appear?

Have a go...

day, say, play, rain, wait

Something harder....

All of the first set plus:
spray, train, brain, snake, mistake

If you really want a challenge....

All of the words above plus:
afraid, complain, holiday,
yesterday, celebrate, debate

Wonderful websites

Buried Treasure—sort words into real and made up words. Choose Phase 5 for the ai sounds.

Falling Phonics—this Tetris inspired game lets you choose phoneme families.

Phonics play has a word sort and phoneme spotter story.

BBC words and pictures has some poems that practise the long vowel sounds.

Sound it out

Syllables

Have a look at the words that you have found that practise the sound. Clap out each syllable.

How many words can you find with more than 1 syllable? Can you find any with more than 2?

For an extra challenge, try making up a clapping song!