Long and Short Vowels

Read the pairs, then sort short and long

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

A silent e at the end makes the vowel say its name. Read each pair out loud.

Read the pairs:

cap	cape	kit	kite	not	note	cub	cube

Sort the words

Cut out the words. Read each one, then glue or write it in the right column.

kite	cap	tube	hop
mate	pin	note	cut
cape	kit	cute	mat
hope	pine	not	tub

Short vowel	Long vowel — silent e

Grown-ups: sort by the SOUND. If the vowel says its name (cape, kite), the word is long. Cover the final e with a finger and every long word turns back into its short partner.

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Circle the word that matches the picture

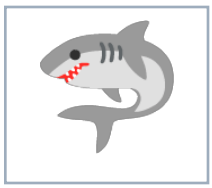
Look at the picture. Read BOTH words. Circle the word that names the picture.



cape **cap**



kit **kite**



fine **fin**



hop **hope**



cute **cut**



tub **tube**

Grown-ups: the two words differ by one silent letter. The picture always shows the short word — its long partner is the other choice, so reading both words is the real work on this page.

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Complete the long word: a-e, i-e, o-e, u-e

Finish each long word. Write the missing vowel and the silent e. The short word is your clue.

a-e words — long a

This one is done for you.

 **cap** c [a] p [e]

 **tap** t [ ] p [ ]

 **rat** r [ ] t [ ]

i-e words — long i

 **kit** k [ ] t [ ]

 **fin** f [ ] n [ ]

 **pin** p [ ] n [ ]

o-e words — long o

 **hop** h [ ] p [ ]

not n [ ] t [ ]

mop m [ ] p [ ]

u-e words — long u

 **cut** c [ ] t [ ]

 **tub** t [ ] b [ ]

 **hug** h [ ] g [ ]

Grown-ups: the final e says nothing itself — its job is to make the vowel say its name. After each word, cover the e and read the short word, then uncover it and read the long word.

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Read it, draw it

Read each sentence. Then draw what it says in the box.

a-e I can **bake** a **cake**.

i-e Mike can fly a **kite**.

o-e The dog has a big **bone**.

u-e The **cute mule** ran up the **dune**.

Grown-ups: the bold words carry the silent e. Point to the e at the end of each bold word before your child draws.

Answer Key

Long and Short Vowels pack — for grown-ups

Read the pairs and sort (page 1)

Short vowel words: cap, mat, kit, pin, hop, not, cut, tub. Long vowel words: cape, mate, kite, pine, hope, note, cute, tube. Every long word here is a short word plus a silent e: the e says nothing itself, but it makes the vowel say its name. If your child sorted by the last letter instead of the sound, read a few pairs aloud together and sort again by ear.

Circle the word (page 2)

1. cap (not cape). 2. kit (not kite). 3. fin (not fine). 4. hop (not hope). 5. cut (not cute). 6. tub (not tube). The picture always shows the short word, and its long partner — the word with the silent e — is the other choice. Reading both words before circling is the real work on this page.

Complete the long word (page 3)

a-e: cape, tape, rate. i-e: kite, fine, pine. o-e: hope, note, mope. u-e: cute, tube, huge. The two missing letters are always the vowel and the final e. Play the cover-up game with any finished word: cover the e, read the short word, uncover the e and read the long word.

Read it, draw it (page 4)

The silent-e words are: bake and cake (a-e); kite (i-e); bone (o-e); cute, mule and dune (u-e). Drawings will all look different, and that is fine — ask your child to read the sentence back and point to the silent e in each bold word.

A note about pictures

Only the short words carry pictures in this pack. Long silent-e words (cape, kite, tube) cannot be pictured clearly in the small picture set this site uses, so the short partner and the word pair itself do the supporting: every long word on these pages sits right next to its short word.

How to use this pack

This pack assumes short vowels are steady — if the sort on page 1 feels hard, spend a week with the short vowel blending pack first and come back. Work one page a day. When these pages feel easy, practice the same four patterns with tap-to-hear audio and flashcards on the Long Vowels pages, then move on to vowel teams (ai, ee, oa), where two letters together make the long sound.