

STRIVE

Decodable Text:

CONTROLLED PRACTICE FOR SOUND SPELLINGS

STRIVE Phonics Packet

Controlled text for sound spelling practice

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I Can:

Sort long A vowel words

Write long A vowel words

Read long A vowel words

Read long A vowel phrases

Read long A vowel sentences

Read long A vowel words in text

Sort:

cake	nap	van
bag	gate	late
make	mad	cage
dad	plane	race
wave	tag	cat

Write the long a vowel sounds in the first column. Write all other words in the second column.

Phrases – Long a:

Jane was late

Her face was hot

She had a cake

was at the gate

glad she came

raced in his

cage not a plane

into the gate

take a break

ate the cake

Sentences – Long a:

Jane was late!

Dave had his red cape.

Dave waved to Jane.

Dave was happy she came!

Dave had his cape.

He was so happy that he raced around his cage.

Jane and Dave had a picnic and ate the cake she took time to bake.

Jane raced to the gate to see what was going on with Dave.

Dave liked the grapes but moved on to the next plate.

Jane watched Dave take a bite of cake.

Jane was happy with the game show that she made!

Short Paragraph Long a: Jane Bakes a Cake

Jane was late! Her face was hot, and her pace was quick, she was late for her play date. She had a cake she had baked for her friend and was at the gate, but she knew she was late. As she got to the cage she saw her friend named Dave. Dave had his cape. Dave waved to Jane. She wanted to wave back but needed both hands to hold the cake she had made. Dave was glad she came! He was so happy that he raced around his cage. Oh! Did I make a mistake? I forgot to tell you that Dave was an ape! Dave jumped up and down and tried to take time to greet Jane, but it was like he was flying, and he forgot he was an ape, not a plane! The cape got under his feet and as he took another step he crashed into the gate. Time to take a break, Dave. Jane and Dave had a picnic and ate the cake she took time to bake. And guess what? It was great!

Long Paragraph Long a: A Game Show for Dave

Jane made a stage so that she could make a game show to do on her play date with her friend named Dave. She used a rake to clear the stage. The stage was close to the cage but hard for Dave to really see. He poked his face out of the gate. Then stuck his big ape hand out and gave a big wave to Jane. But, she did not see Dave. He grabbed for something to wave. There were clothes hanging out to dry next to his cage, so he pulled on the first thing he could reach and began to wave and make noise. Jane raced to the gate to see what was going on with Dave. Her face lit up with a smile and she began to laugh as she saw Dave waving a big pair of underwear over his head! Then Dave thought they would be perfect to wear to dress up for the game show, so he put them...on...his...head! When it came time to open the gate so that Dave could come to the stage and play the game show with Jane, he raced to the stage to see the game. For the game show, Jane wanted Dave to taste three things and guess which one was cake. For the game to be fun Jane wanted Dave to cover his eyes, so he pulled his underwear hat down until they covered his face. The name of the game was Taste This! First, she had him taste a plate of grapes. Dave liked the grapes but moved on to the next plate. On the next plate was bacon. Dave loves bacon, but he moved on to the next plate. On the last plate was the cake. Jane watched Dave take a bite of cake. He knew it was the cake and he ripped the underwear off of his face and waved it over his head. Jane was happy with the game show that she made! What a fun play date!

I Can:

Sort long e vowel words

Write long e vowel words

Read long e vowel words

Read long e vowel phrases

Read long e vowel sentences

Read long e vowel words in text

Sort:

sleep	pea	there
joke	jeans	weed
help	beach	vote
agree	need	toe
leaf	note	queen

Write the long e vowel sounds in the first column and all other words in the second column

Phrases Long e:

did not agree

be at the beach

creek hunting for beavers

knee deep in in gold

free to climb the highest tree

sneak sweets fresh from the cookie sheet

jeans need to be cleaned

creep through leaves

greet other worms you meet

a week to go three feet

Sentences – Long e:

In her jeans she was free to climb the highest tree.

Evie wore her jeans to creep around the house.

Even jeans need to be cleaned.

There is always an easy feast within reach!

As a worm you creep through leaves and green weeds.

You seem to always have time to greet other worms you meet.

You never have to clean your room or brush your teeth.

You never skin your knees or have stinky feet.

Henry is a worm that likes to dream.

At night in his dreams he is on a soccer team or playing on a beach.

Short Paragraph Long e: Dirty Jeans

Jeans are the best! Evie's little sister Amelia was always telling her that dressing up in party clothes was the most fun. But Evie did not agree. In her jeans she could do anything! She could be at the beach building a sand castle or in the creek hunting for beavers. She could be a farmer sowing bean seeds or a pirate who was knee deep in in gold. In her jeans she was free to climb the highest tree and peek between the leaves. Evie wore her jeans to creep around the house and to sneak sweets fresh from the cookie sheet. There was only one day of the week she did not wear jeans. Even jeans need to be cleaned, but as soon as they were dry Evie would hear the beep of the drier and speed down to the laundry room to steal them away again.

Long Paragraph Long e: Worms

It seems to take a long time to get anywhere when you are a worm. At least you know there is always an easy feast within reach! As a worm you creep through leaves and green weeds, eating slowly as you go. As a worm, you seem to always have time to greet other worms you meet. You never have to clean your room or brush your teeth. You never skin your knees or have stinky feet. There is great peace to life underground. Everything moves at a slower speed. It will take you at least a week to go three feet. You are rarely seen and are free to dig deep and get down away from summer heat and people feet. You can lounge about as you please, and sleep and dream about tasty treats. Henry is a worm that likes to dream. But instead of dreaming about tasty treats and things to eat like most worms, he dreams about flying like an eagle or climbing mountain peaks. By day he is a worm doing all things worm. At night in his dreams he is on a soccer team or playing on a beach. He feels lucky to have both lives he thinks. Worm by day, dreamer by night!

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Read long i_e vowel words in text

Sort:

hide	hip	ripe
line	dive	slim
slide	chin	smile
bite	hit	tire
pit	bike	dig

Write the long i_e vowel sounds in the first column and all other words in the second column

Phrases Long i_e:

rode his bike

playing on the slide

on the tire swing

made him smile

hard to hide

find Mike in his lime pajamas

glide down the slide

wear them to hike

like his lime pajamas

flag for his bike

Sentences Long i_e:

Mike wore his pajamas when he rode his bike.

Mike wore his pajamas playing on the slide.

Mike wore his pajamas on the tire swing.

The big green limes where hard to hide.

Mike liked wearing pajamas.

His lime pajamas could be made into a kite.

Mike's pajamas could be seen for miles and miles!

The best pajamas were his lime pajamas.

Mike's pajamas made him smile!

He tied his pajamas to a long line of string.

Short Paragraph Long i_e: Lime Pajamas

Mike really liked pajamas. The best pajamas were his lime pajamas. Yep, pajamas with big green limes all over. Mike wore his pajamas when he rode his bike. Mike wore his pajamas playing on the slide. Mike wore his pajamas on the tire swing. Mike's pajamas made him smile! Mike was easy to find when he played hide and go seek because the big green limes were hard to hide. Rain or shine, any time, you could find Mike in his lime pajamas.

Long Paragraph Long i_e: Best Kite Ever!

Mike liked wearing pajamas. His best pajamas were his lime pajamas. Limes are sour, but these pajamas were sweet! But, as happens to all boys and girls, Mike grew. He was the tallest kid in line at school. It didn't matter how much Mike liked his pajamas or how much they made him smile. It didn't matter that they helped make his bike go fast or helped him glide down the slide at record speed. He was no longer a small tike. His pajamas were too small! He couldn't wear them to hike. They were too tight. He decided to find another way to like his lime pajamas. A few friends would still see them if he made them into a flag for his sister's trike or his own fast bike. But, if his lime pajamas could be made into a kite, they could be seen for miles and miles! He tied his pajamas to a long line of string, and up, up, up they went. Now his best liked lime pajamas were a kite and Mike could smile again.

I Can:

Sort long o_e vowel words

Write long o_e vowel words

Read long o_e vowel words

Read long o_e vowel phrases

Read long o_e vowel sentences

Read long o_e vowel words in text

Sort:

home	rose	toy
joke	trim	bone
truck	pole	vote
whole	boot	phone
stove	note	drove

Write the long o_e vowel sounds in the first column and all other words in the second column

Phrases Long o_e:

left alone in his yard

told Jerome jokes

poked his nose through a hole

back to digging holes

perfect hole for his new bone

under the rose bush

family returned home

had a spotted nose

hole with a rope

like an ice cream cone

Sentences Long o_e:

Jerome was bulldog who had a spotted nose.

Jerome had a big yard at his home and there was a tall tree with lots of pinecones.

As the pinecones fell Jerome dug holes.

His favorite pinecone was big and shaped like an ice cream cone.

It drove Jerome's family crazy that he dug all of these holes.

He thought it was funny, it was a little dog joke all his own.

Jerome the dog was left alone in his yard while his family was at work and school.

Jerome liked the joke and poked his nose through a hole in that fence to try and lick Tone.

Jerome finished digging his last hole right under the rose bush.

It was getting later in the day and the families would be home soon.

Short Paragraph Long o_e: Jerome's Pinecone

Jerome was bulldog who had a spotted nose. While Jerome's family was off at work and school, he was home alone. Jerome had a big yard at his home and there was a tall tree with lots of pinecones. As the pinecones fell Jerome dug holes. He buried those pinecones, each in a hole of their own. He liked to bury other things too. There was a hole with a rope. There was a hole with a stone. There was a hole with a bone. His favorite pinecone was big and shaped like an ice cream cone. It drove Jerome's family crazy that he dug all of these holes. When they got home and played in the yard, they tripped and fell in the holes as they played. Jerome liked to sit and chew his bone and watch them fall. He thought it was funny, it was a little dog joke all his own.

Long Paragraph Long o_e: Jerome and Tone

Jerome the dog was left alone in his yard while his family was at work and school. Even though he was alone in his own yard, but he was not totally alone and not at all lonely. He had a friend named Tone who peeked through the fence and told Jerome jokes while he dug his holes. Tone was a big shaggy golden retriever. "Hey Jerome!" "Hi Tone." "Why does a pirate wear underwear?" "I don't know Tone, why?" "To hide his booty!" Jerome liked the joke and poked his nose through a hole in that fence to try and lick Tone. Then he went back to digging holes. "Hey Jerome! Does your underwear have holes?" Jerome replied, "No Tone." Tone laughed, "Then how do you get your legs in?" Jerome just kept on digging his holes. "Speaking of holes," said Tone, "Why did the baker quit making donuts?" "I don't know," replied Tone. "He was tired of the hole business." Jerome really liked having Tone as his friend. Tone kept him in good spirits all day with his mostly funny jokes. As Jerome was digging the perfect hole for his new bone, Tone said, "Why did the skeleton climb the tree?" "Why Tone," asked Jerome. "Because a dog was after his bones!" "Good joke Tone," said Jerome. It was getting later in the day and the families would be home soon. As Tone turned away from the fence to wait by the back door for his family, he shouted over his shoulder. "Hey, Jerome." "What is a skeleton's favorite musical instrument?" "I hope it's not the bone-jo," replied Jerome. "Nope," said Tone, "it's the trom-bone!" "I hope to see you tomorrow Tone," said Jerome. Jerome finished digging his last hole right under the rose bush. Then he turned back to his house and went to the mat by the door and lay down to rest before his family returned home.

I Can:

Sort long u_e vowel words

Write long u_e vowel words

Read long u_e vowel words

Read long u_e vowel phrases

Read long u_e vowel sentences

Read long u_e vowel words in text

Sort:

cute	rose	toy
made	mule	bone
pure	pole	sure
cube	boot	use
stove	mute	huge

Write the long u_e vowel sounds in the first column and all other words in the second column

Phrases Long u_e:

homework that was due

wanted to play rescue

wanted to continue

still as a statue

didn't want to argue

boy of virtue

wanted to pursue

ran to the avenue

pile of tissue

before the barbeque

Sentences Long u_e:

Andrew had homework that was due.

Duke wanted to play rescue.

Andrew had to finish his homework before the barbeque.

Andrew was a boy of virtue.

Andrew wanted to pursue his studying.

Then, chaos ensued!

Andrew ran to the avenue of trees.

Duke to the rescue!

Duke was subdued.

Andrew could continue his homework.

Paragraph Long u_e: Duke to the Rescue!

Andrew had homework that was due. His dog Duke had other plans. Duke wanted to play rescue. Like in hide and seek Andrew would go lay down and Duke would come find him and rescue him! Duke loved this game. Andrew had to finish his homework before the barbeque. Duke wanted to play rescue. Andrew didn't want to argue but he loved school and wanted to continue with his work. Andrew sat at the table. If he sat as still as a statue maybe Duke would go away. But Duke continued to run fast into Andrew's feet under the table. Andrew was a boy of virtue. Andrew wanted to pursue his studying. Then, chaos ensued! Duke continued to beg to play rescue and jumped up all the way into Andrew's lap. Drew wagged his tail in Andrew's face. Now he had an issue. Andrew had to think of a way to subdue Duke. Duke needed to play. If Duke could rescue Andrew, then maybe he could get his homework done. Andrew ran to the avenue of trees behind his yard and laid down. Duke to the rescue! Andrew ran to the front and stood as still as a statue behind a bush. Duke to the rescue! Andrew buried himself under a pile of tissue paper in the basement. Duke to the rescue! After pursuing Andrew all around the yard and house, Duke was subdued. Andrew could continue this homework. He got it all done before the barbecue.

I Can:

Sort oi and oy words

Write oi and oy words

Read oi and oy words

Read oi and oy phrases

Read oi and oy sentences

Read oi and oy words in text

Sort:

coin	enjoy	boy
spoil	noise	toy
foil	annoy	oink
joint	coin	hoist
joyful	royal	joy

Write the oi words in the first column and oy words in the second column. Add as many new words as you can. Then, read all of the words you wrote.

oi	oy

Phrases oi and oy:

Roy is a boy

love and enjoy

noise and noisy

pigs oink and can be annoying

oink and oink and oinking

hear the noise

run for joy

overjoyed with a new toy

to the toy store

enjoy the toy

Sentences oi and oy:

Roy is a cowboy.

Joy likes the boy's toy pig.

Roy loves and enjoys his pigs.

They oink and oink, oinking all day.

The boy hoists Joy over a log.

Roy is overjoyed that Joy is safe.

I can paint the toy.

He said I was a super boy.

Roy enjoys his new toy.

I can point at the pig that oinks.

Paragraph oi and oy: Roy the Cowboy

Roy is a cowboy. Roy has pigs. Roy loves and enjoys his pigs. Roy likes to name his pigs. Joy is one of Roy's pigs. Roy spoils Joy by giving the pigs soy milk and candy. A lot of people think Roy is silly and his pigs are annoying because the pigs are noisy. They oink and oink and oink and oink, oinking all day. One boy is annoyed at the oinking, so the boy hoists Joy the pig over a log. He wants to get Joy away from Roy so Joy will stop oinking. The boy pulls and pulls and hoists Joy, but the boy slips. The boy falls flat on his face in the mud. Roy hears the noise and runs for Joy. The boy runs away with mud drip, drip, drip, dripping off him. Roy is overjoyed that Joy is safe and still oinking. Joy is happy and oinks. Roy gives Joy soy milk and candy.

I Can:

Sort R-Control words

Write R-Control words

Read R-Control words

Read R-Control phrases

Read R-Control sentences

Read R-Control words in text

Sort:

car	sit	star
joke	forgot	fog
born	pole	bird
low	shirt	down
cart	note	large

Write the r-control sounds in the first column and all other words in the second column

Phrases Control r:

in a hard box

enjoyed the summer

been born in a herd

explore a farm

warm in winter

twirl and swirl through the air

chirp at the sun

shaggy fur and a loud bark

a hard, sharp bark

like a car horn

Sentences Control r:

In the winter he had to be indoors.

Parker would dust himself with dirt.

He could slowly explore the yard.

As a sheep Parker would have a herd of friends.

He would have a wooly coat that could be made into yarn.

Sharks swim fast and turn and dart through the ocean surf.

Or, maybe he would be a bird.

Parker would be large with shaggy fur and a loud bark.

Parker's noise sounded more like a car horn than a bark.

It was better than his first try.

Paragraph Control r: Turtle Bark

Parker was not sure that the life of a turtle was the life for him. In the winter he had to be indoors. He lived in a hard box without much to do. He enjoyed the summer days full of sun. He could be out in the yard. Parker would dust himself with dirt. He could slowly explore the yard. But, the days got long. Sometimes Parker thought that maybe it would be better to have been born in a herd of sheep. As a sheep Parker would have a herd of friends. As a sheep, he could explore a big farm. He would be warm in winter. He would have a wooly coat that could be made into yarn. Maybe it would be better to be a shark! Sharks swim fast and turn and dart through the ocean surf. Or, maybe he would be a bird. As a bird, Parker could twirl and swirl through the air and chirp at the sun at the start of the day. Best of all he thought, what if he could be a dog! Parker would be large with shaggy fur and a loud bark. He would be the first pet to greet his girl each day and walk all around the yard with her in summer and winter. Parker decided to practice. He pulled into his dark shell and gave a sort of short bark. It did NOT sound like a dog. It sounded like he was throwing up! He tried again. In the dark of his shell he took a deep breath and pushed out a hard, sharp bark. It was better than his first try. Parker's noise sounded more like a car horn than a bark. Then he popped his head out of the dark shell and let out the perfect deep bark! He forgot all his turtle troubles and enjoyed his new skill – Parker – the turtle who barks!