

Vowel Teams

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Quick Review

A VOWEL TEAM is two letters that work together to make one vowel sound. Teams like **ai**, **ay**, **ee**, **ea**, **oa**, **ow**, and **igh** often spell a long vowel sound. A helpful rhyme says, when two vowels go walking, the first one does the talking.

PRACTICE

Look at the vowel team in each word. Choose or write the best answer.

- Which word has the vowel team **ee**?
 - tree
 - tray
 - boat
 - night
- Which vowel team makes the long *a* sound in *rain*?
 - ee
 - ai
 - oa
 - ow
- Which word has a vowel team that spells long *o*?
 - coat
 - cat
 - cut
 - kit
- Which word rhymes with *day* and has the team **ay**?
 - dot
 - play
 - deep
 - drip



5. The word *night* uses the team **igh**. The **gh** is —
- A. loud
 - B. silent
 - C. a vowel
 - D. a number
6. Fill in the vowel team to spell the word for a green plant part: l ____ f
Answer: _____
7. Fill in the vowel team to spell the word that means not far away: n ____ r
Answer: _____
8. The words *see* and *sea* sound the same but use different vowel teams.
T / F
9. Which word has the vowel team **ow** that spells long *o*?
- A. snow
 - B. stop
 - C. spin
 - D. sun
10. Which word does NOT have a vowel team?
- A. road
 - B. seed
 - C. hand
 - D. play



Answer Keys

- 1 A B C D
- 2 A B C D
- 3 A B C D
- 4 A B C D
- 5 A B C D

- 6
- 7
- 8 T F
- 9 A B C D
- 10 A B C D

Explanations

1. A	Tree has the vowel team <i>ee</i> , which spells a long <i>e</i> sound.
2. B	The team <i>ai</i> in rain spells the long <i>a</i> sound.
3. A	Coat has the team <i>oa</i> , which spells the long <i>o</i> sound.
4. B	Play has the team <i>ay</i> and rhymes with day.
5. B	In the team <i>igh</i> the letters <i>gh</i> are silent, and the team spells long <i>i</i> .
6. ea	Leaf uses the vowel team <i>ea</i> to spell the long <i>e</i> sound.
7. ea	Near uses the vowel team <i>ea</i> in this word.
8. T	See uses <i>ee</i> and sea uses <i>ea</i> , but both spell the long <i>e</i> sound.
9. A	Snow has the team <i>ow</i> , which spells the long <i>o</i> sound.
10. C	Hand has only one vowel and no team. Road, seed, and play each have a vowel team.



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