

TIP

In a **vowel pair**, the first vowel usually stands for the long-vowel sound and the second vowel is silent. You hear the long *e* in teacher and the long *a* in fail.

In a **vowel digraph**, two vowels together can make a long-vowel sound, a short-vowel sound, or a special sound all their own, as in said, ready, and group, and sooner.

LIST WORDS

1. teacher teacher
2. feel feel
3. speak speak
4. clue clue
5. fail fail
6. soak soak
7. below below
8. lie lie
9. needle needle
10. said said
11. group group
12. feast feast
13. ready ready
14. cheap cheap
15. again again
16. throat throat
17. eager eager
18. sooner sooner
19. least least
20. contain contain

Spelling Practice

Vowel Pairs and Digraphs

Write each **list word** under the correct heading.

vowel pairs with the long *a* sound

1. _____ 2. _____

vowel pairs with the long *e* sound

3. _____ 4. _____

5. _____ 6. _____

7. _____ 8. _____

9. _____ 10. _____

vowel pairs with the long *o* sound

11. _____ 12. _____

13. _____

vowel pairs with the long *i* sound

14. _____

vowel digraphs

15. _____ 16. _____

17. _____ 18. _____

19. _____ 20. _____

Classification

Write the **list word** that belongs in each group.

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|------------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| 1. touch, taste, | _____ | 2. anxious, willing, | _____ |
| 3. spoke, talked, | _____ | 4. wash, scrub, | _____ |
| 5. hint, suggestion, | _____ | 6. sit, stand, | _____ |
| 7. neck, mouth, | _____ | 8. crowd, gang, | _____ |
| 9. principal, student, | _____ | 10. under, beneath, | _____ |

Definitions

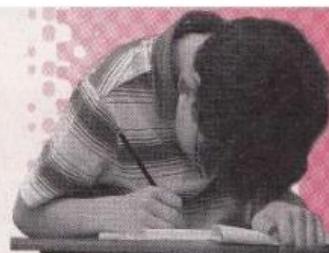
Write the **list word** that matches each meaning. Use the number code to answer the riddle. Find the letter with the number 1 below it. Write that letter on each line with the number 1 under it. Do the same for the other numbers.



Riddle: What did the goat have when it ate a dollar bill?

Answer: It had a 1 2 3 4 5 6 3 4 7 8!

Spelling and Writing



Proofreading

The diary entry below has ten mistakes. Use the proofreading marks to fix the mistakes. Write the misspelled **list words** correctly on the lines.

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Am I glad this day is over! today, my teecher asked me to speke in front of the class. When she called my name, I started to fele nervous. Then, my throet felt like it was closing up, and my legs started to shake. Finally, I sed to myself, "the souner I get started, the sooner I'll be done." Now that it's all over, I'm not not quite sure why I was so nervous. It really wasn't too bad.

Proofreading Marks

- spelling mistake
- ≡ capital letter
- take out something

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____