

MINIMAL PAIRS WORKSHEET

English Pronunciation Practice











/ɪ/ vs /i:/


 Name: _____

 Date: _____

1. LISTEN AND REPEAT

Listen carefully to the audio. Repeat the words aloud.


Word 1	Word 2
ship 	sheep 
sit 	seat 
bit 	beat 
live 	leave 
fill 	feel 

 Circle the word you hear.

1. **ship / sheep**
2. **sit / seat**
3. **bit / beat**
4. **live / leave**
5. **fill / feel**



2. SAY THE WORDS



Repeat the words with a partner.



 Remember:

- /ɪ/ = short sound
- /i:/ = long sound

Practice:

 ship — sheep 

 sit — seat 



 bit — beat 

3. WRITE THE CORRECT WORD

Choose the correct word.

1. I can see a _____ on the farm. sheep / ship
2. Please _____ down. sit / seat
3. I like this music _____. bit / beat
4. Don't _____ the door open. live / leave
5. I can _____ happy today. feel / fill

PRONUNCIATION TIP

For the sound /i:/:  Open your mouth a little more.  Make the sound longer.

Example:

/ɪ/ → ship

/i:/ → sheep

 **GREAT JOB!**

 Keep practicing English every day!