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Subject: Spelling

Topic: Vowel Pairs- ai, ay, oa, and ow

A vowel pair is made from two vowels that come together to make one long vowel sound. The first vowel in the pair usually stands for its long sound, and the second is silent. The vowel pairs **ai** and **ay** can spell the long a sound you hear in drains and decay. The vowel pairs **oa** and **ow** can spell the long o sound you hear in coast and borrow.

**List Words:**

1. complain	6. decay	11. boast	16. fainted
2. braid	7. roasting	12. swallows	17. scarecrow
3. drains	8. throwing	13. foamy	18. gained
4. coast	9. tomorrow	14. poach	19. hoax
5. toasted	10. borrow	15. cocoa	20. Painful

**Instructions:** Write a list word to match each definition clue.

1. tossing \_\_\_\_\_

2. to rot or break down \_\_\_\_\_

3. the day after today \_\_\_\_\_

4. hot chocolate \_\_\_\_\_

5. cook eggs in liquid \_\_\_\_\_

6. to use for a time \_\_\_\_\_

7. becomes empty or dry \_\_\_\_\_

