

# [ɛ] and [eɪ]

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Listen and repeat each word. Select the word in each line that is **NOT pronounced with [ɛ].**

Example: Mexico America Egypt Texas

1. Any crazy anywhere many
2. Paper letter send pencil
3. Seven eleven eight twenty
4. Health wreath breath wealth
5. Reading ready already head
6. Present precios previous president
7. November February September April
8. Guess guest cruel question
9. Thread threat fresh theater
10. Mean meant mental met

**INSTRUCTIONS.** Practice the following minimal pairs with the sounds [ɛ] and [eɪ]. Check the meaning of unknown words

[ɛ]	[eɪ]
Said	Say
Met	mate
Bet	Bait
Fed	fade
Less	lace
Pen	pain/pa
Let	Late
Wet	wait/weight
Get	gate/gait
Red/read	Raid
Wed	Wade

**INSTRUCTIONS.** Listen to the sentences. Some words that should be pronounced with [ɛ] will be said incorrectly. Select **C** for the correct or **I** for the incorrect word. Then, type the actual word you hear.

Examples: you hear: Who **fed** the fish? You select **C** **I**

You hear: I got **wait** in the rain You select **C** **I**(incorrect)

1. C I He was tired and went to \_\_\_\_\_
2. C I She is my \_\_\_\_\_ friend.
3. C I The opposite of East is \_\_\_\_\_
4. C I My \_\_\_\_\_ has no ink.
5. C I Please \_\_\_\_\_ the letter.
6. C I Did you \_\_\_\_\_ your car?
7. C I My favorite color is \_\_\_\_\_
8. C I Put salt and \_\_\_\_\_ on the salad.
9. C I Can you \_\_\_\_\_ the right answers?
10. C I This is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the test.