SHORT /ɪ/ vs LONG /iː/ SOUNDS

Pronunciation Worksheet | A1-A2

Learn to hear and pronounce the difference between /ɪ/ and /iː/.

SOUND

The /ɪ/ sound is short. The /iː/ sound is longer.

Compare: ship / sheep • sit / seat • fill / feel

To hear the difference between the two sounds, watch the lesson at the bottom of the page.

1. Choose the correct sound.

1) ship /ɪ/ / /iː/
2) sheep /ɪ/ / /iː/
3) sit /ɪ/ / /iː/
4) seat /ɪ/ / /iː/
5) fill /ɪ/ / /iː/
6) feel /ɪ/ / /iː/
7) live /ɪ/ / /iː/
8) leave /ɪ/ / /iː/

2. Put the words in the correct group.

fish • green • feet • chip • tree • fit • cheap • little

/ɪ/: _____

/iː/: _____

3. Complete the minimal pairs.

1) ship → _____
2) sit → _____
3) fill → _____
4) live → _____

4. Circle the correct word.

1) Please sit / seat here.
2) I live / leave near the beach.
3) The ship / sheep is in the field.
4) These shoes fit / feet me well.

5. Write /ɪ/ or /iː/ next to each word.

1) fish _____
2) please _____
3) this _____
4) week _____
5) cheap _____
6) little _____

6. Read the sentences aloud. Keep /ɪ/ short and /iː/ longer.

1) I live near the beach.
2) Please sit in this seat.
3) The sheep has little feet.

7. Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

ship • sheep • sit • seat • fill • feel

1) Please _____ here.
2) The _____ is on the sea.
3) I _____ happy today.
4) The _____ is eating grass.

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Write one sentence with a short /ɪ/ word and one sentence with a long /iː/ word.

1) /ɪ/ _____

2) /iː/ _____

WATCH THE LESSON

Short /ɪ/ vs Long /iː/ Sounds | English Pronunciation

Watch on YouTube

Scan the QR code or click the link.

Practise the lesson, then check your answers on page 2.

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ANSWER KEY

Short /ɪ/ vs Long /iː/ Sounds

1. Choose the correct sound.

1) ship /ɪ/ 2) sheep /iː/ 3) sit /ɪ/ 4) seat /iː/
5) fill /ɪ/ 6) feel /iː/ 7) live /ɪ/ 8) leave /iː/

2. Put the words in the correct group.

/ɪ/: fish, chip, fit, little
/iː/: green, feet, tree, cheap

3. Complete the minimal pairs.

1) sheep 2) seat 3) feel 4) leave

4. Circle the correct word.

1) sit 2) live 3) sheep 4) fit

5. Write /ɪ/ or /iː/ next to each word.

1) fish /ɪ/ 2) please /iː/ 3) this /ɪ/
4) week /iː/ 5) cheap /iː/ 6) little /ɪ/

6. Read the sentences aloud.

Pronunciation practice. Use the video to check the two vowel sounds.

7. Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

1) sit 2) ship 3) feel 4) sheep

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Answers will vary.

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