

Spelling Power

Lesson 2: Long Vowel Spellings

Word Bank

sustain	feasible	disagreeable	dehydrated	gyrate
overblown	encroach	mutually	butte	euphonium

Key Concepts

Long vowel sounds can be spelled with vowel combinations as well as with single vowels.

- The \ā\ sound can be spelled *ai, ay, or a_e*.
 stain playful grape
- The \ē\ sound can be spelled *ea, ee, e, y, or e_e*.
 reach seek decal
 melody compete
- The \ī\ sound can be spelled *i, y, or i_e*.
 bias sky prize
- The \ō\ sound can be spelled *oa, ow, o, or o_e*.
 road blow also close
- The \ū\ sound can be spelled *ou, ew, eu, u, ue, or u_e*.
 coupon few feud usual
 Tuesday cute

Spelling Practice

Write the words from the Word Bank in alphabetical order. Circle the letters that spell the long vowel sound(s) in each word.

Example: attain

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

LESSON 2 continued

Spelling in Context

In each sentence, a word is missing. Write the correct word from the Word Bank on the line. Use the Key Concepts to help you spell the words correctly.

- _____ 1. After hiking for an hour in the desert, we began to feel _____.
- _____ 2. We watched a pair of hawks swoop and _____ in a cloudless sky.
- _____ 3. We cut across a sandy canyon, hoping not to _____ on private property.
- _____ 4. As a jackrabbit bounded off, we wondered where it found enough water to _____ life.
- _____ 5. Back at camp, we found the taste of cool lemonade far from _____.

Proofreading Practice

Read the paragraph. Find the five misspelled words and circle them. Then, on the numbered lines below, write the correct spelling for each circled word.

Were his dreams of climbing Mount McKinley just overblone fantasies? Climbing a bute might have challenged some people, but Erik Weihenmayer intended to go up the mountain. Although Weihenmayer had been blinded at thirteen, he was sure that the climb was fesible. Already an experienced climber, he began the ascent of McKinley with a party of sighted climbers. By mootually supporting one another, they succeeded. Weihenmayer became the first blind man ever to reach McKinley's 20,320-foot peak. He wished he could blow a uphonium to spread the news.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

Spelling Application

Below are five additional words that follow the long-vowel spelling patterns you have learned. Circle the letters that spell long-vowel sounds in these words. Then, using each word once, fill in the imaginary book titles.

futile motivate notable ordeal thrive

- 1. *Insects Can Help Your Garden* _____, by Leigh D. Bug
- 2. *How to* _____ *Yourself for Success*, by U. K. N. Dooit
- 3. *Lost in the Wilderness: My* _____, by Sir Vyval F. D. Fittess
- 4. _____ *Ideas That Brighten the Mind*, by N. Spur Ayshon
- 5. *Little-Known Feats and* _____ *Facts*, by Hooda Thunkitt

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