

Sea

There are four common ways to make this sound:

1. **ea, this is a double.** It is commonly found in the middle of words and beats.
2. **ee, this is a double.** It is commonly found in the middle of words and beats.
3. **ey, this is a double.** It is commonly found at the end of words.
4. **y, this is a single.** It is commonly found at the end of words.

There are five unusual ways to make this sound, they are:

- ❑ **e**, this single has already been explained for vowel cue pen.
- ❑ **e-e**, this gap vowel says its name. It is a rare gap vowel used in words such as theme and complete.
- ❑ **ei**, this double is used in spellings such as receive and receipt.
- ❑ **eigh**, this block is very rare, it is used to spell the girls name Leigh.
- ❑ **ie**, this double is quite unusual but is used to make words such as belief and thief.

Note: *This vowel sound can be made by using a gap vowel.*

There are 5 sheets to practise this vowel sound. At the end of this section there are various extra sheets to help practise gap vowels so don't be worried if they prove difficult at first.

Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 1

Student _____

Adult _____

Date _____

Given word	Cue word	Spelling choice	What is it?	Beats
spe<u>ea</u>ch				
pe<u>ea</u>ling				
che<u>ea</u>per				
che<u>ea</u>ky				
sleep<u>ea</u>ng				
wea<u>ea</u>kest				
mess<u>ea</u>y				
mon<u>ea</u>y				
full<u>ea</u>y				
chea<u>ea</u>ter				
nea<u>ea</u>test				
spea<u>ea</u>ding				
don<u>ea</u>ky				
mea<u>ea</u>ningful				

We have made the vowel sound in sea by using these spelling choices:

Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 2

Student _____

Adult _____

Date _____

Given word	Cue word	Spelling choice	What is it?	Beats
reach				
sleeting				
sweet				
heath				
heater				
sweeping				
preacher				
street				
neatly				
silly				
screamer				
dreamily				
green				
creamy				

We have made the vowel sound in sea by using these spelling choices:

Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 3

Nonsense Words

Student_____

Adult_____

Date_____

Given word	Cue word	Spelling choice	What is it?	Rewrite the word using beats
streaper				
spleeting				
climmery				
pattrey				
freeg				
tweeple				
bleamering				
prommey				
meable				
toppy				
skeemer				
preeber				
weatest				
shream				

We have made the vowel sound in sea by using these spelling choices:

Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 4

Unusual Spellings

Student _____

Adult _____

Date _____

Given word	Cue word	Spelling choice	What is it?	Beats
she				
maybe				
theme				
scheme				
receive				
deceive				
leigh				
believe				
relief				
defend				
complete				
conceive				
brief				
thief				

We have made the vowel sound in sea by using these spelling choices:

Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 5

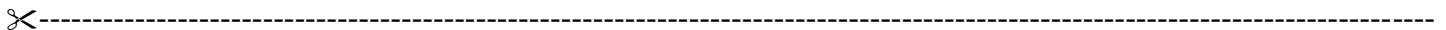
Student_____

Adult_____

Date _____

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She looked longingly at the neat, sweet buds, but knew she could not get them. Then a bird came sweeping out of the sky and landed on the tree. The snail felt like screaming with fear but the bird flew off at great speed. As it left, the branch it was on bent neatly down, the snail could reach the sweet new shoots and so eat fully. Sleeping dreamily in the heat the snail failed to see the bird return with a greedy meaningful look in its eye.

**Worksheet: Vowel Cue Sea 5**

Student_____

Adult_____

Date _____

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