

When E Says Its Name

We've been adding an "e" to the end of words to make a vowel say its name.

Here are some for E: *here* and *Eve*.

If you have played on Starfall.com, then maybe you know the song, "When two vowels go a walking, the first one does the talking." In other words, when two vowels are together, the first vowel says its name. Here are some examples with E.

bee beef beep beet

Dee deep deer

fee feed feel feet

pee peep peer

see seed seen

wee weed week weep

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Those words all had two Es, so it's easy to tell that they say E. Here are words that are spelled, EA. They are two vowels together, so the first one is going to say its name. E comes first so when you see EA, you read the E sound.

bead	beam	beat
deal	dear	
heal	heap	heat
lead	leap	lean
meal	mean	meat
team	tear	weak

I like eating meat.

The red team is in the lead.

The sentences below use different words that sound the same. Which two words sound the same? Which word is which?

In the heat I feel weak each week.

Dear mom, I see a deer.

I eat a beet. I hear a beat.