



Same but Different



Objective

The student will identify variant correspondences in words.



Materials

- ▶ Vowel pattern reference cards
This serves as a spelling reference to help in determining which vowel pattern is correct. Choose the target vowel pattern card. Choose one vowel at a time by selecting word header, vowel pattern, and reference cards for the same vowel (e.g., all the words with long vowel “e”).
- ▶ Header cards
- ▶ Word cards
Laminate.
- ▶ *Note: Some word cards may use more than one pattern; either can be used (e.g., weigh, way).*
- ▶ Vis-à-Vis® markers



Activity

Students identify and sort different spelling patterns for long vowels.

1. Place header cards in a row face up along with the corresponding vowel pattern reference card. Place word cards face down in a stack at the center.
2. Taking turns, students select the top card from the stack, read the word using the targeted long vowel sound (e.g., m__l, “/m/ /ē/ /l/, meal”).
3. Using the vowel pattern reference card, write the different vowel patterns in the blanks with the Vis-à-Vis® marker until the correct pattern is determined (e.g., “meal, /ē/, ea”).
4. Place word card in column under matching header card.
5. Point to and read words in entire column starting with header card.
6. Continue until all cards are sorted.
7. Peer evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Add other words with the same spelling pattern to the list.
- ▶ Use a combination of different vowels to sort.

/ā/ patterns

a_e

ai

ay

eigh

ey



/ē/ patterns

ee

ea

y

ie



/ī/ patterns

i_e

igh

y

ie

i_



/ō/ patterns

o_e

oa

ow

o_

oe



/ū/ patterns

u _ e

ue

ew



tame

header

bait

header

day

header

eight

header

prey

header

header

long "a" header cards



feet

header

beam

header

baby

header

brief

header

header

header

long "e" header cards



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P. 017

smile

header

high

header

sky

header

pie

header

i _ _

header

header

long "i" header cards



home

header

boat

header

show

header

o

— —

header

toe

header

header

long "o" header cards



Phonics

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P. 017

muse

header

fuel

header

few

header

header

header

header

long "u" header cards



c _ k _
/ā/

tr _ d _
/ā/

cr _ n _
/ā/

sk _ t _
/ā/

t _ l _
/ā/

r _ n
/ā/

br _ d
/ā/

cl _ m
/ā/

long "a" word cards



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P. 017

m _____
/ā/

st _____
/ā/

cl _____
/ā/

str _____
/ā/

pl _____
/ā/

fr _____
/ā/

m _____
/ā/

sl _____
/ā/

long "a" word cards



_____ t
/ā/

fr _____ t
/ā/

w _____
/ā/

ob _____
/ā/

h _____
/ā/

th _____
/ā/

gr _____
/ā/

wh _____
/ā/

long "a" word cards



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P. 017

j _____ p

/ē/

f _____ d

/ē/

cr _____ p

/ē/

ch _____ k

/ē/

gr _____ t

/ē/

m _____ l

/ē/

b _____ n

/ē/

p _____ ch

/ē/

long "e" word cards



l _ _ d

/ē/

sp _ _ k

/ē/

an _ _

/ē/

dirt _ _

/ē/

jell _ _

/ē/

dut _ _

/ē/

cand _ _

/ē/

ch _ _ f

/ē/



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th _____ f
/ē/

bel _____ f
/ē/

gr _____ f
/ē/

y _____ ld
/ē/

long "e" word cards



tw _ c _
/i/

wr _ t _
/i/

sp _ c _
/i/

gl _ d _
/i/

str _ k _
/i/

br _ t _
/i/

s _
/i/

fr _ t _
/i/



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kn _____ t
/i/

r _____ t
/i/

sh _____
/i/

fr _____
/i/

wh _____
/i/

b _____
/i/

tr _____
/i/

t _____
/i/

long "i" word cards



d _____

/i/

dr _____ s

/i/

fl _____ s

/i/

fr _____ d

/i/

ch _____ ld

/i/

bl _____ nd

/i/

w _____ ld

/i/

k _____ nd

/i/



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P. 017

wh _ l _

/ō/

sp _ k _

/ō/

c _ d _

/ō/

r _ b _

/ō/

c _ v _

/ō/

r _ st

/ō/

c _ ch

/ō/

g _ l

/ō/

long "o" word cards



f _____ m

/ō/

fl _____

/ō/

cr _____

/ō/

sh _____

/ō/

gr _____

/ō/

kn _____

/ō/

gh _____ st

/ō/

c _____ lt

/ō/



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P. 017

fl_wn

/ō/

sc_ld

/ō/

r_ll

/ō/

d_

/ō/

J_

/ō/

t_

/ō/

w_

/ō/

f_

/ō/

long "o" word cards



___ s ___

/ū/

m ___ t ___

/ū/

c ___ t ___

/ū/

f ___ m ___

/ū/

f ___ s ___

/ū/

cl ___

/ū/

resc ___

/ū/

val ___

/ū/

long "u" word cards



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P. 017

contin_____

/ū/

arg_____

/ū/

p_____

/ū/

m_____

/ū/

h_____

/ū/

ch_____

/ū/

st_____

/ū/

long "u" word cards

