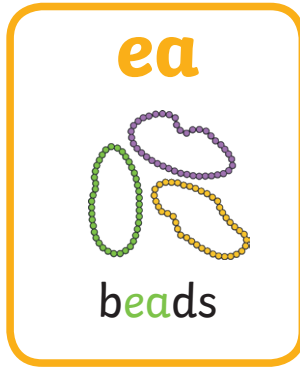


The /ee/ Sound

Part A

The /ee/ sound can be written in lots of ways, e.g. 'ee' or 'ea'.



1. Here are some words from 'The Messy Magpie' that have the /ee/ sound in. Can you highlight the letters that make the /ee/ sound in each word? One has been done for you.

seem gleam tree see cleaned green seen

2. Choose the correct word from above to fit into each of these sentences.

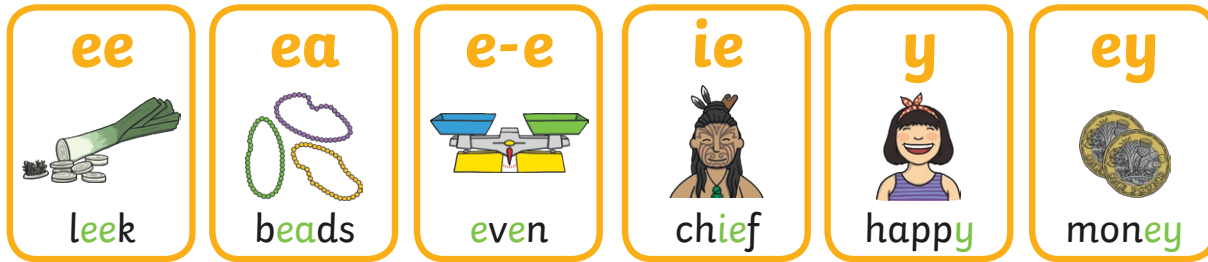
- a. Morris loves to collect things that _____.
- b. Morris' nest is in a _____.
- c. The things _____ like gifts to Morris.
- d. Have you _____ how messy his tree looks?
- e. What 'treasures' can you _____ in the nest?
- f. Morris _____ all the 'treasures' in his nest.
- g. The wood where Morris lives was nice and _____.

3. What other words can you think of which contain the /ee/ sound written with 'ee' or 'ea'?

The /ee/ Sound

Part B

The /ee/sound can be written in lots of ways.



1. Here are some words from 'The Messy Magpie' that have the /ee/ sound in. Can you highlight the letters that make the /ee/ sound in each word? One has been done for you.

seem heavy family many believe retrieve these

2. Write a sentence for each of the words above, based around the story of 'The Messy Magpie'.

Example: *The family seem to be enjoying their picnic.*

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

f. _____

Challenge Task

What other words can you think of which contain the /ee/ sound with the different spellings shown above?

Answers

Part A

1. **seem** **gleam** **tree** **see** **cleaned** **green** **seen**
2. a. Morris loves to collect things that **gleam**.
b. Morris' nest is in a **tree**.
c. The things **seem** like gifts to Morris.
d. Have you **seen** how messy his tree looks?
e. What 'treasures' can you **see** in the nest?
f. Morris **cleaned** all the 'treasures' in his nest.
g. The wood where Morris lives was nice and **green**.
3. Example answers: **reeds, seed, free, knee, team, treat, leader, dream**.

Part B

1. **seem**, heav**y**, famili**y**, man**y**, belie**ve**, retrie**ve**, the**se**
2. Example answers:
 - a. The can was **heavy** to fly with.
 - b. The **family** left lots of things behind after they had finished their picnic.
 - c. There were so **many** 'treasures' that Morris had collected.
 - d. Morris did not **believe** his luck when he saw all the treasures.
 - e. He went to **retrieve** some more objects.
 - f. **These** 'treasures' won't all fit in the nest now.

Challenge

Example answers: **sleepy, meet, sleet, read, wheat, seat, eve, delete, extreme, field, thief, achieve, happy, lonely, tiny, honey, donkey, journey**.