

# Vowel Sound Sort

Listen for short and long vowel sounds.

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3a** "Distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words."

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## SHORT VOWEL

In a SHORT word, the vowel makes its short sound. Say the word slowly and listen.

map

## LONG VOWEL

In a LONG word, the vowel says its name. In cake, the a says its name.

cake

## 1 SORT \_\_\_\_\_ 8 items

Read each word, then circle SHORT or LONG for its vowel sound.

1. crab

SHORT

LONG

2. nest

SHORT

LONG

3. cube

SHORT

LONG

4. stamp

SHORT

LONG

5. train

SHORT

LONG

6. feet

SHORT

LONG

7. duck

SHORT

LONG

8. clock

SHORT

LONG

## 2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_ HOW I KNEW \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_ HOW I KNEW \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## 3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Part 2, Prove It: Pick two words from Part 1. Write each word and tell whether you hear a SHORT or LONG vowel sound.

Part 3, Make Your Own: Write one new SHORT word and one new LONG word.

SHORT \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

LONG \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### CHALLENGE

Write one sentence that has a new SHORT vowel word and a new LONG vowel word.

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**PART 1 • SORT**

| # | ITEM  | CATEGORY     | WHY                          |
|---|-------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | crab  | <b>SHORT</b> | crab has the short a sound.  |
| 2 | nest  | <b>SHORT</b> | nest has the short e sound.  |
| 3 | cube  | <b>LONG</b>  | cube has the long u sound.   |
| 4 | stamp | <b>SHORT</b> | stamp has the short a sound. |
| 5 | train | <b>LONG</b>  | train has the long a sound.  |
| 6 | feet  | <b>LONG</b>  | feet has the long e sound.   |
| 7 | duck  | <b>SHORT</b> | duck has the short u sound.  |
| 8 | clock | <b>SHORT</b> | clock has the short o sound. |

**PART 2 • PROVE IT**

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

**PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)**

- **SHORT:** hop
- **LONG:** rain

**Challenge:** The goat sat on a rug.

Part 1 answers are SHORT, SHORT, LONG, SHORT, LONG, LONG, SHORT, SHORT. For Part 2, accept any two correctly sorted words with an accurate short or long vowel explanation.