


## Short and long vowels

Vowels have got short or long sounds. This depends on their position in the word or the sound of the consonant next to them. If a word has a vowel and then an 'e' at the end of a word, it has a long vowel.

20  Listen and repeat.

- ① **a** hat hate      ② **e** bed meet      ③ **i** six five      ④ **o** top open      ⑤ **u** cup music

21  Listen and say long or short.

- 1 hat      hate      2 not      note  
3 pet      Pete      4 Tim      time  
5 fin      fine      6 Sam      same

22  Listen and read. Then repeat.



1 That's the hat that I hate!



2 Please do not write me a note.



3 Pete has a pet.




4 Tim is on time.



5 Well done, the shark's fin looks fine.



6 Sam has the same number.

23  Put these words in the correct part of the table. Then listen and check.

cake    flag    cat    car    whale    apple    plane    snake

Long a	Short a

19 Read and circle the short vowels.

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|---|------|------|------|------|
| 1 | been | meet | web  | free |
| 2 | time | five | fin  | mine |
| 3 | take | hat  | make | date |
| 4 | rose | note | sock | toe  |

20 Read and circle the long vowels.

- Ken told me the same tale.
- Can Pam make a hat?
- Tim ate the cake.
- John wrote with his pen.

21 Write words in the table. Then read.

LONG vowel	SHORT vowel
a	a
e	e
i	i
o	o
u	u

22 Write four sentences. Use the short and long sound of the vowel in the same sentence.

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