

Cornell Motes

Long and Short Vowel Sounds

Today's Standard

2.RF.3a - Distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words.

Cues	Notes
What are long vowels?	Long vowels say their name, like the 'a' in 'cake'.
What are short vowels?	Short vowels have a different sound, like the 'a' in 'cat'.
How can you tell the difference?	Listen carefully to the sound the vowel makes in the word.
Examples of long vowel words?	Examples: cake, bike, rope, use.
Examples of short vowel words?	Examples: cat, bed, fish, top.

Summary

Understanding the difference between long and short vowels is key to reading fluently. Long vowels say their name, while short vowels have a different sound. Practice with examples helps solidify this understanding.