



i



long i says its name
"eye", as in ice cream

Read the word, find the letters that make the long i, then check the picture. Cut along the dashed lines for flash cards.

i_e



bike



kite



slide



hive



mice

y



fly



sky



cry



spy



butterfly

igh



light



night



knight



flashlight



lightning

ie
i



pie



tie



tiger



spider



lion



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Every word here has the long i sound, "eye". The purple letters make it. Start with i_e, one at a time. I, my and by come early, then -ight; save ie, -ind and -ild for 1st grade.

Long i words by spelling same sound, different letters

i_e	bike	like	kite	bite	ride	hide	wide	time	dime	lime	
	pine	fine	line	nine	vine	five	hive	mice	nice	dice	
i_e, blends and digraphs	slide	bride	white	smile	shine	drive	slice	prize	knife		
y, short word	my	by	fly	sky	cry	dry	try	why	shy	spy	fry
-ight	light	night	right	sight	tight	bright	flight	knight			
igh at the end	high	sigh	thigh								
ie	pie	tie	lie								
i on its own	I	hi	tiger	pilot	spider	tiny	lion				
-ind, -ild	kind	find	mind	blind	behind	wild	mild	child			

More long i words first sounds, longer words, short i vs long i

starts with i	I	ice	icy	icicle	idea	item	ivy				
long words	inside	sunshine	bedtime	tonight	midnight	flashlight					
short i → long i	kit → kite	pin → pine	bit → bite	rid → ride	slid → slide						

Read it out loud

1. I like my bike.
2. Mike has a white kite.
3. Nine mice hide.
4. The light is bright.
5. The kite is high.
6. Why did the child cry?
7. A fly is on the pie.
8. Find the wild mice.

Watch out, these look like long i but aren't: give, live the i is short fire, tire bossy r
wind (that blows) is short i children short i happy, baby y says "ee" cookie, movie ie says "ee"



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