CVC WORDS

short e



Name _____ Date _____

I can read words with the short e sound, like egg.

1 Say each word. Listen for the middle sound.

 bed	 pen	 hen	 net
 jet	 ten	 web	 leg

2 Word families

Same ending, new first sound.

-en
hen pen ten den men

-et
net jet pet wet vet set

-ed
bed red fed led

-eg
leg peg beg

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Tap it, blend it, write it

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Touch each dot and say the sound. Then blend the sounds and write the word.



b e d



p e n



h e n



n e t



j e t



t e n



w e b



l e g

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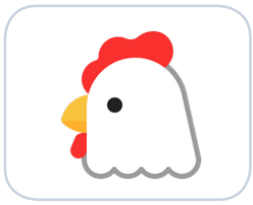
Match the picture to the word

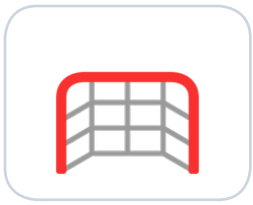
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Draw a line from each picture to its word.













hen

ten

pen

net

bed

jet

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Look, say and write

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Say the name of each picture. Write one letter in each box.

















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Sort the word families

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Read each word. Write it under the ending it shares.

1 Word bank

net red led fed wet bed jet pet hen den ten pen

-en	-et	-ed
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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Read and trace

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Read each word aloud, then trace it.

hen	hen	pen	pen
ten	ten	den	den
men	men	net	net
jet	jet	pet	pet
wet	wet	vet	vet
set	set	bed	bed
red	red	fed	fed
led	led	leg	leg

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

Answer key: short e

1 Match the picture

1. bed 2. pen 3. hen 4. net 5. jet 6. ten

2 Tap it, blend it / Look, say and write

bed, pen, hen, net, jet, ten, web, leg

3 Sort the word families

-en: hen, pen, ten, den
-et: net, jet, pet, wet
-ed: bed, red, fed, led

4 Teaching tip 💡

Short e is the sound at the start of egg. The mouth is a little less open than for short a, and the lips relax. Practice it beside short i, because those two are the pair children mix up most.

Watch for: Reading short e as short i (bed as "bid"). Say the two sounds side by side and have the child feel the jaw drop slightly for e.

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