

KS1 English Quiz - Phonics - Split Digraphs (Questions)

Split Digraphs identifies the 'magic e' that changes short vowel sounds into long sounds. This game is for Year 1 children at KS1 and should remind them of this rule to aid their reading and spelling. It follows from the previous digraph quizzes and introduces them to split digraphs, which will add to their knowledge of English and all-round literacy.

When you write the word 'hop' the vowel sound is 'o' and is called a short sound. If you add a magic 'e' to that word to make it 'hope' the 'o' sound changes to 'oo' – the long vowel sound.

1. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



- pin
- grin
- skin
- chin

2. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



- bap
- map
- tap
- lap

3. How do we show the magic e sign?



- e
- 'e'
- o_e
- ee

4. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



- bear
- grass
- hut
- cub

5. She is playing a flute. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'flute'?



- ey
- ay
- oa
- oo

6. This picture was taken on Christmas Eve. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'eve'?



- ie
- or
- ee
- au

7. Look at the time. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'time'?



- ie
- ou
- ee
- ea

8. These girls are playing a game. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'game'?



- ee
- ai
- ow
- ue

9. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



- but
- hit
- not
- put

10. This dog has a bone. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'bone'?



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The picture is of a pinecone, which grow on trees.

2. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



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When you add a magic e to 'tap', you change the word to 'tape'.

3. How do we show the magic e sign?



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When talking about magic e we include the _ sign to show that a letter comes between the vowel and the magic e.

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If you add a magic e to cub, you change the word to 'cube' which is a 3D square shape.

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This 'oo' sound is like 'boo' and 'too' not 'book' and 'took'.

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If there was no magic e, the word would say Tim, which is a popular name for boys.

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Christmas Eve is the day before Christmas.

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The magic e turns the 'a' sound into the 'ai' sound.

9. Which of these words could you add a magic e to?



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The word 'not' turns to 'note', which could be a letter or a musical note.

10. This dog has a bone. What family of sounds does the magic e belong to in the word 'bone'?



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Bone and loan rhyme. If a word is in the same phonetic sound family then the words usually rhyme.