Spelling Learning intention - Write words spelt ei, eigh or ey

There is no rule for these spelling patterns. They just have to be learned.

Warm up

Write down the words in which ei, eigh or ey make the long a sound. Be careful – some words are included to trick you!

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| vein | obey | delay |
| play | eight | veil |
| state | height | snail |
| weight | prey | sleigh |
| day | clay | reign |

2. Identify and write down two words containing the long a sound in each of these sentences.

a) The great beast stalked his prey.

b) The veil covered the bride’s face.

c) They eat their cake at lunchtime.

d) You must always obey the rules.

e) Eight girls liked the place.

f) Some say ‘age before beauty’.

g) The survey was finished late.

h) The neighbour had grey hair.

3. Write sentences containing each of these words.

a) weigh

b) vein

c) they

d) sleigh

e) obey