Long a Matching (page 30)

Materials:

- letter flashcards Aa-Zz
- long a flashcards
- picture cards (train, rake, cave, hay, rain, cake, wave, tray)
- word cards (train, rake, cave, hay, rain, cake, wave, tray)
- individual word cards for each pair of students (train, rain, cake, rake, wave, cave, hay, tray)
- individual cards with a/silent e on one, ai on another and ay on the last
- page 30

Review: 2-3 minutes

- Mix up the letter flashcards and show them to the students one at a time.
 - Hint: You should develop a routine when doing this.

Teacher: "Letter?" Students: "A."

o Teacher: "Sound?" Students: "/a/."

- o *Hint:* For older children you can also set a timer to see how long it takes them to get through all the letters saying the letter name and sound. You can record this time and let the students try and get a better time each day.
- You can also choose to play any of the games that have been taught in previous lessons.
 - Around the World
 - o Flyswatter
 - Beanbag Toss
 - o Relay Race
- Just adapt any of the games to help you review the letter names and sounds of the alphabet.

Preview: 5-7 minutes

- Show them the 3 different long a flashcards and talk about how each one makes the long a sound.
 - Discuss how we can make the long a sound by adding a silent e to the end of the word. We can put the letters ai together to make the long a sound. We can also put the letters ay together to make the long a sound. This usually is done if the long a sound is at the end of the word or syllable.

Teacher: "A /a/ /a/
 Students: "A /a/ /a/

• Show them the **long a** picture cards, emphasizing the **long a** sound in each word.



Teacher: "/a/ /a/ train"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ rain"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ cake"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ rake"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ wave"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ cave"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ hay"; students repeat
Teacher: "/a/ /a/ tray"; students repeat

Modeling: 7-10 minutes

- Give each student a set of 3 cards (a/silent e, ai and ay).
- Show a picture card and say the word that goes with the picture. Have the students repeat.
 - o Now ask the students what letters they think make the long a sound in the word.
 - The students should hold up the flashcard that matches what letters they think make the **long a** sound in the word.
 - Now hold up the word that matches the picture card.
 - Have the students tell you what letters they see in the word that are making the long a sound.
 - The students should check the card they are showing and make corrections if necessary.
 - Once all of the students are showing the correct long a card, read the word together.
 - o Continue with as many picture and word cards as is necessary.

Guided Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Play Memory.
 - o Put students into groups of 2 with an individual set of word cards.
 - o They spread the word cards out, between them, face down.
 - One student draws a card from the cards on the floor. They look at the card and read the word and say what letters are used to make the long a sound.
 - The same student draws another card and reads the word and says the letters that are used to make the long a sound.
 - o If the student draws two rhyming word cards with the same **long a** spelling, they keep the two cards. If they are different, they put the cards back and it is the next person's turn.
 - They continue play until all of the cards are gone. If there is time left they can spread the cards out and play again.

Independent Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Explain how to do page 30.
 - *Hint*: Have an extra copy for you to model each part prior to giving it to the students.
- Pass out page 30 to each student.

Assessment: (during Independent Practice)

- As the students are completing page 30, monitor and give guidance/ support/correction/praise, as needed.
- Use page 30 as a record and be sure to take note of students who may need more practice and/or instruction.

Closure: 1-2 minutes

• Read each pair of rhyming **long a** words at the bottom of page 30. Have the students say which **long a** spelling is used in each pair of words.

