

Ee Digraph Word List

We've split the lists into different sound categories in alphabetical order to help you locate words you might want to use with your students.

Words containing the /ee/ sound (i:) as in see...

One-syllable words with regular spelling patterns and no other digraphs:

Bee, beef, been, beep, beet, bleed, bleep, breed, breeze, creed, creep, deed, deem, deep, eek, eel, fee, feed, feel, feet, flee, fleet, free, freeze, geek, geez, greed, Greek, green, greet, heed, heel, jeep, jeez, keel, keen, keep, leek, meek, meet, need, peek, peel, peep, reed, reef, reek, reel, see, seed, seek, seem, seen, sleek, sleep, sleet, sneer, speed, spleen, steed, steel, steep, street, sweep, sweet, teen, tree, tweet, wee, weed, week, weep.

One-syllable words with other digraphs or some irregular spelling patterns:

Beech, breeze, cheek, cheep, cheese, ghee, geese, knee, kneel, queen, screech, sheep, sheer, sheet, speech, teeth, wheel.

Two or more syllable words – may contain other digraphs:

Agree, asleep, banshee, beetle, between, bungee, chimpanzee, coffee, esteem, exceed, feeble, frisbee, referee, thirteen, toffee, tutee.

Words where the /ee/ digraph represents alternative sounds (see the ee digraph sounds section on our website):

Breeches, entrée, fiancée, matinée, mélée, négligée, protégée, purée, threepence, toupée.

Pseudo-words Containing the ee Digraph:

Bree, Deet, Dree, Feeb, Geed, Gleek, Keef, Jee, Neep.

See the information on our website about pseudowords. You could use some of these as practice words for a screening check or as part of a less formal assessment of a child's decoding ability. Some of the words in the list might have a real meaning in some regions, groups, or sub-cultures, but they will be unfamiliar to most children so can be used alongside genuine pseudowords.

