



Saying Irregular Vowel Combinations with "i"

You're
reading
with...



the giraffes!

Getting Ready - A Broad View of the Landscape Before You Begin



You will see, at first glance, that there are only three irregular vowel combinations for the letter "i". They are easy to learn. Your safari mate will soon be reading these sounds in words. You can get your reader ready to learn the material in this expedition by listening and singing along to the *Irregular Vowels* song found on track 17.

Flash Card Set 18 will introduce the irregular vowel combinations with the letter "i". Each card provides an example of a word containing the irregular sound of the vowel. Review them all with your safari mate and help him or her complete the Funsheets in this folder. You will then be ready to advance to the next expedition. Good luck!

Taking a Closer Look - Sample Dialogue to Help Direct Your Course

Tour Guide: "Look at this (child's name). We only have three new sounds to learn for this expedition!"

Reader: "Hooray!"

Tour Guide: "I bet you'll earn another sticker within minutes. Come on! Let's try these together!"



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The Rest of the Story

Sometimes, in today's hectic world of schedules packed with school, work, sports and music lessons, we often find ourselves with short intervals of time in the car, waiting for sports practice or waiting for music lessons or other extra curricular activities to begin. You can fill those "moments in the middle" with a fun and engaging game of storytelling that we refer to as "The Rest of the Story". You play the game by starting a fictional (or pretend) tale about any topic of your choice. Try to pick topics that are of particular interest to your safari mate. Make your story as preposterous and funny as you possibly can. After you've told a few lines of your story, you ask your safari mate to continue the story, using their imaginative skills. This can continue, back and forth, until someone decides to conclude the tale. Use lots and lots of expression and encourage all of those who participate to use lots of expression too! Even though you aren't reading, telling stories helps to underscore how important voice and expression are in making stories interesting!

Those beautiful brown spots on a giraffe's skin help to camouflage it against trees while it is eating. "Camouflage" means the ability to blend in with surroundings so that predators can't quite see it easily. The giraffe's skin looks just like the bark of a tree to a hungry lion looking for a meal. Good thing for the giraffe!



What You'll Need to Pack for the Safari



You will need Flash Card Set 18 and the *Irregular Vowels* song (track 17).

Results to Achieve During Your Expedition



The reader will have an understanding of what an irregular vowel is, and will be able to independently demonstrate how to pronounce the following irregular vowel combinations: "ild", "ing", "ind".

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Accomplished with Excellence	Expedition Activities:
	Reader imitates "ild" (as in "wild") sound modeled by the Tour Guide
	Reader imitates "ing" (as in "king") sound modeled by the Tour Guide
	Reader imitates "ind" (as in "kind") sound modeled by the Tour Guide
	Reader says "ild" sounds from flash card independently
	Reader says "ing" sounds from flash card independently
	Reader says "ind" sounds from flash card independently
	Reader listens to the <i>Irregular Vowels</i> song on track 17
	Reader completes Funsheets (instructions to be read by Tour Guide)
	Reader draws a star on the Safari Success Trail, in space number 44 (check off Jungle Journal in the backpack to advance)

Try to sound out the words that are made by blending the consonants on the left with the irregular vowel combination "ind". You will be reading these words in the next expedition.

b → ind

f → ind

k → ind

m → ind

r → ind

w → ind

Can you say these words?
They all have the "ing"
sound in their names!



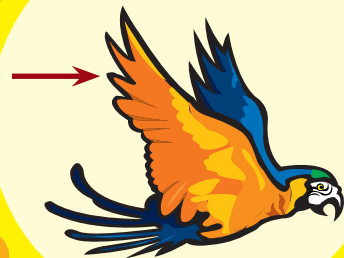
king



sing



ring



wing



sleeping



painting

The irregular vowel combination "ing" can be put on the end of a word to show an action that a person is doing. See if you can figure out these actions that have "ing" at the end.



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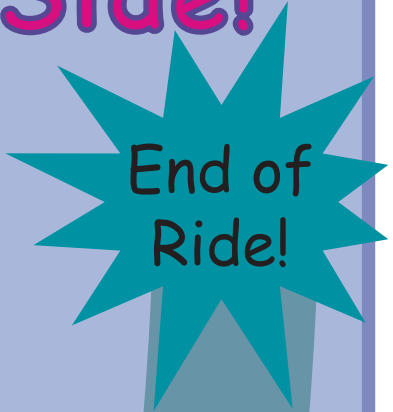


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Take a Ride... on the Wild Side!

The Game of Ups and Downs and Irregular Vowel Fun!



Find Flash Card Set 13 (numbered "1", "2" and "3") and three (3) game pieces for each player. Players should put one of their game pieces on each of the people in the roller coaster to start. The youngest player goes first. He or she draws a card and moves the number of spaces shown on the card with the first game piece. If the player lands on a space with a word, he or she tries to blend the beginning consonant sound with the irregular vowel sound of "i" (already mastered in this expedition). If the player lands on a stop sign, he or she must follow the instructions next to the sign. Although the first game piece can be brought onto the board on any number card, each successive game piece may be brought out only on number "3" card. A player does not need to reach the star burst on an exact roll. The player to have all three game pieces on the star burst first wins the game.

king

kind

Stop!

You're going too fast. Rest here and skip a turn.

mild

mind

find

Stop!

Crash! Go back to Start.

wing

sing

Stop!

Slow down...go back two spaces.

child

sling

ring

End of Ride!