ee and i sounds /i:/ and /I/

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Listen to the audio file and repeat what you hear during each pause.

long e sounds /i:/

- she he tea tree three flee pea
- feet seat meat meet neat sheet fleet
- read lead seed seen bean green
- dream seem scream squeal
- easy eaten seem scream metere Peter
- PC TV BBC DVD ET

short i sounds /I/

- if it is his this
- big wig thick lift sift bit
- lit kit knit Mr. Mrs.
- ill nil dill spill thrill drill
- quill little bitter sitter

pairs

- Beat Bit
- Eat it
- Seat sit
- Heat hit
- Leap lip
- Green grin
- Feel fill
- Seen sin

- Sick seek
- Bib beep
- Hid heed
- Did deed
- Dill deal
- Pit peat
- Lick leak

Words with both sounds

- Bikini discreet indeed intrigue

Sentences with long e sounds

- “Have a seat Pete.”
- Sweet green peas.
- “Let’s meet in the street.”
- Don’t rest your feet on the seat.
- It seems she screams in her dreams.
- Pauline likes to eat on the three-piece suite.
- Seek and ye shall find. (‘ye’ is an old word for the plural ‘you’)
- Have you ever seen a seal in the sea?
- He’s very discrete when he eats.
- We’ve just been to Crete. It’s in Greece.
- He’d steal enough food for a meal.

Sentences with short i sounds

- His igloo is big.
- Philip bit his lip.
- This is his Big Mac.
- Nick’s favourite film is Kill Bill
- The little boy spilt his milk.
- “Will you ask for the bill?”
- Hilda and Pippa live in Kings Lynn.
- Mrs. Harris lives in Paris.
- The big pig is digging in the pit.
- The little pig is nibbling Jim’s finger.
- “Lift it - lift the lid a little bit more.”
- If you tickle Mr. Hickson he’ll wriggle and giggle.

Mixed sentences with both sounds

- Breathe in deeply.
- He lives in Teeside.
- “Edith! Don’t lean out of the window!”
- Denise put the steel tin in the green bin.
- “Steve! Please go and see if it is Liz at the door.”
- “What a steep hill!” thought William McDeal.
- This meat is not safe to eat. If we do eat it we will be sick.
- In 1588 when Elizabeth was Queen, King Philip II’s Spanish fleet were defeated by the English.