

Pip's Phonic Forest Adventure

Learning objective: To identify and spell words containing alternative graphemes for the /ai/, /ee/, and /igh/ sounds.

Read the story below carefully. Look for the words that contain the 'ai', 'ee', and 'igh' sounds. Use the word bank to help you complete the questions.

Pip the caterpillar was having a lovely day in the forest. He sat on a leaf and watched a bright yellow butterfly zoom past. 'What a fast flight!' Pip cheered. He decided to visit his friend, a squirrel who lived in a tree. The squirrel was busy eating a piece of cheese for his lunch. 'I will wait for you to finish,' said Pip. They both looked up at the sky as the sun began to set, preparing for a peaceful night. Far away, they heard the sound of a steam train chugging along the tracks.

Word bank: bright · sleigh · cheese · night · train · three · flight · wait

1. Find two words in the passage that contain the 'igh' sound and write them below. (2 marks)

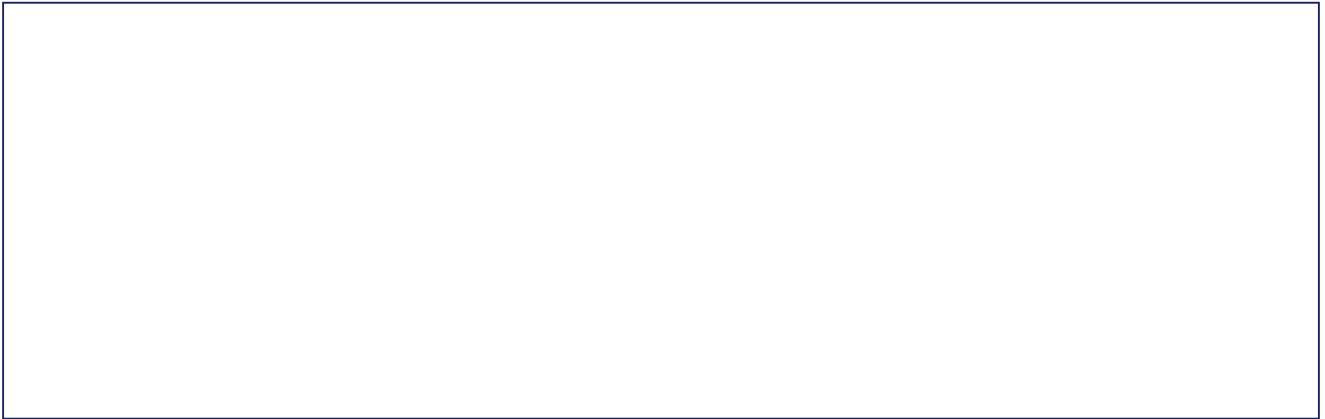
2. Pip saw a bright butterfly. Can you write a sentence using the word 'train'? (2 marks)

3. Which word in the passage rhymes with 'breeze'? (1 mark)

4. Why did Pip have to wait for the squirrel? (2 marks)

5. Write a word from the word bank that has the 'ai' sound but is not in the passage. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Pip the caterpillar sitting on a leaf, watching the bright butterfly fly towards a tall tree.



Extension challenge: Can you think of three more words that use the 'ee' sound, like 'three' or 'cheese'? Write them down and use one in a sentence about a forest animal.