

Magic E bluff

Student A

Choose one of the lines on your worksheet and make it wrong by:

- adding another (imaginary) word to make it into a pair of words both with and without a final Magic E (if there is only one there)
- delete one of the words from the pair that is there (pretending that one doesn't exist)
- making up one or more imaginary definitions
- swapping the definitions of the word with Magic E and the word without Magic E
- changing the pronunciation or spelling of one of the words

Read out the falsified word or words, including spelling, meanings and pronunciation, and see if your partner can spot what is wrong.

Elementary

- mad made
- same
- ten
- big
- time
- not note

Pre-Intermediate

- brake
- tap tape
- at ate
- that
- jet
- him
- slim slime
- this
- bit bite
- sit site
- hop hope
- put

Intermediate

- pal pale
- tan
- rat rate
- leg
- side
- pin pine
- kit kite
- fog

Upper Intermediate

- lab
- wed
- gen gene
- pride
- rid ride
- 'til tile
- fin fine
- pip pipe
- spit spite
- cod code
- god
- cop cope
- tub tube

Advanced

- dab
- glad glade
- dam dame
- nap nape
- sat sate
- spat spate
- yen
- grim grime
- din dine
- mitt mite
- mod mode
- nod node
- lop lope
- slop slope
- dot dote
- crud crude
- tug
- jut jute
- mutt mute

Student B

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Elementary

- plan plane
- cat
- hat hate
- pet
- dinner diner
- his
- cut cute

Pre-Intermediate

- sale
- cap cape
- mat mate
- bed
- hid hide
- time
- win wine
- quit quite
- rob robe
- but

Intermediate

- tale
- can cane
- fat fate
- grate
- yet
- rip ripe
- strip stripe
- rod rode
- cub cube

Upper Intermediate

- fad fade
- hen
- slid slide
- tide
- dim dime
- shin shine
- spin spine
- whip wipe
- wok woke
- con cone
- throne
- pop pope
- rot rote

Advanced

- trad trade
- gal gale
- sham shame
- pan pane
- yap
- slat slate
- bib
- prim prime
- grip gripe
- bod bode
- pod
- mop mope
- tot tote
- rub rube
- dud dude
- dun dune
- glut glute
- lute