

Exercises for /eɪ/ and /æ/

1. Write the words in the correct column and underline the target sounds. Then listen to the MP3 (1a) and practice saying the words.

/eɪ/ sound	/æ/ sound
<u>plate</u>	<u>apple</u>



2. Write the correct number above the words in blue. Does the word contain the sound 1 /eɪ/ or 2 /æ/? Listen to the MP3 (1b) and write which sound you hear. Underline the part of the word with this sound.

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William Shakespeare was an English actor, poet and playwright. He married at the age of 18 and had 3 children. Many people say he was the greatest writer of the English language. His famous works include Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth. Shakespeare invented many words and phrases that we still use in English today. Even after 400 years, Shakespeare is still remembered and celebrated around the world.

3. Listen to the MP3 (1c) and circle which word you hear.

- a) ate at
- b) hate hat
- c) plane plan
- d) same Sam
- e) pain pan

4. Record yourself saying the words in sections 1 and 3, and the passage in section 2. Listen to your recording again in a few days. Can you clearly hear the two target sounds you studied?

