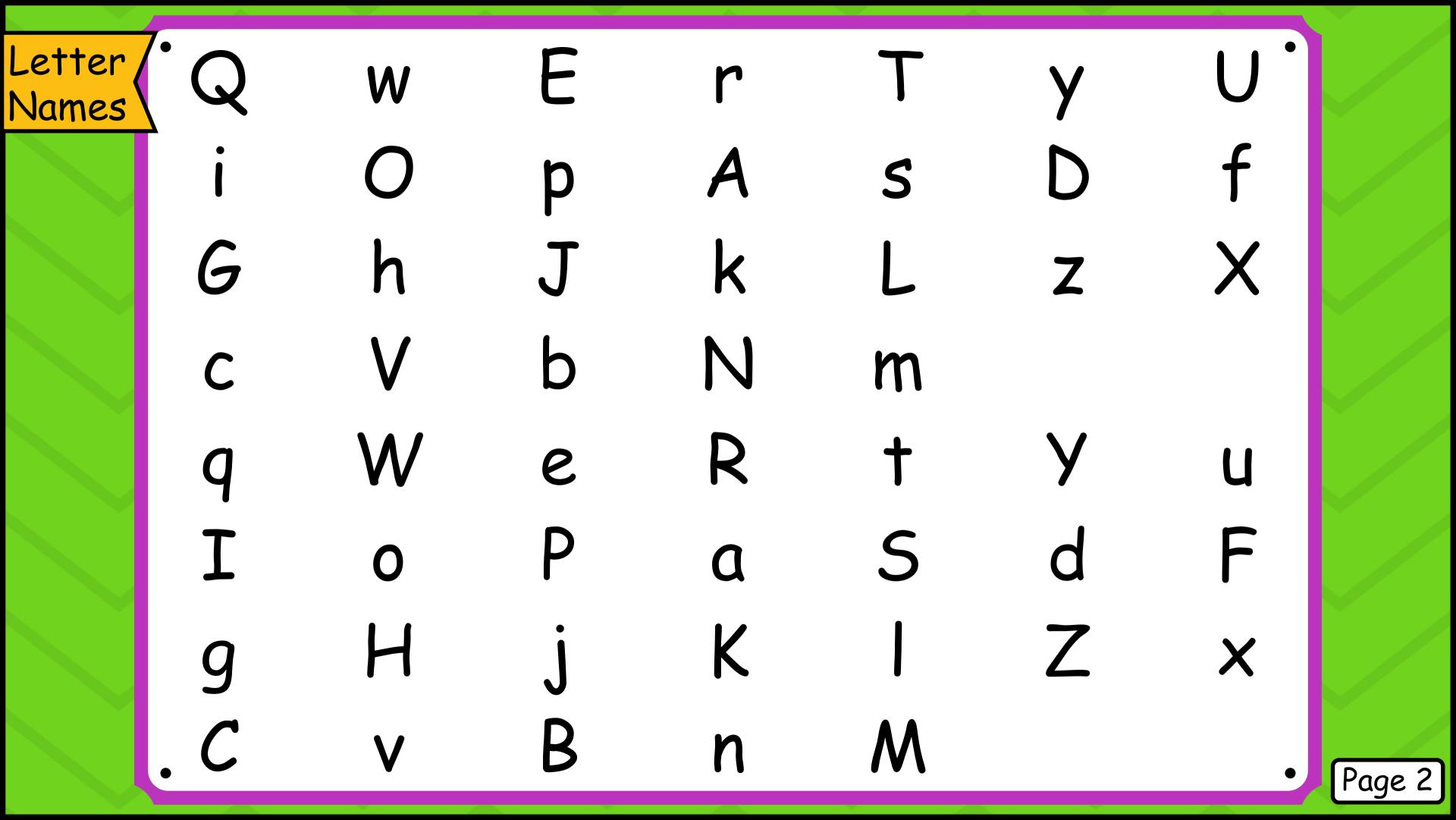
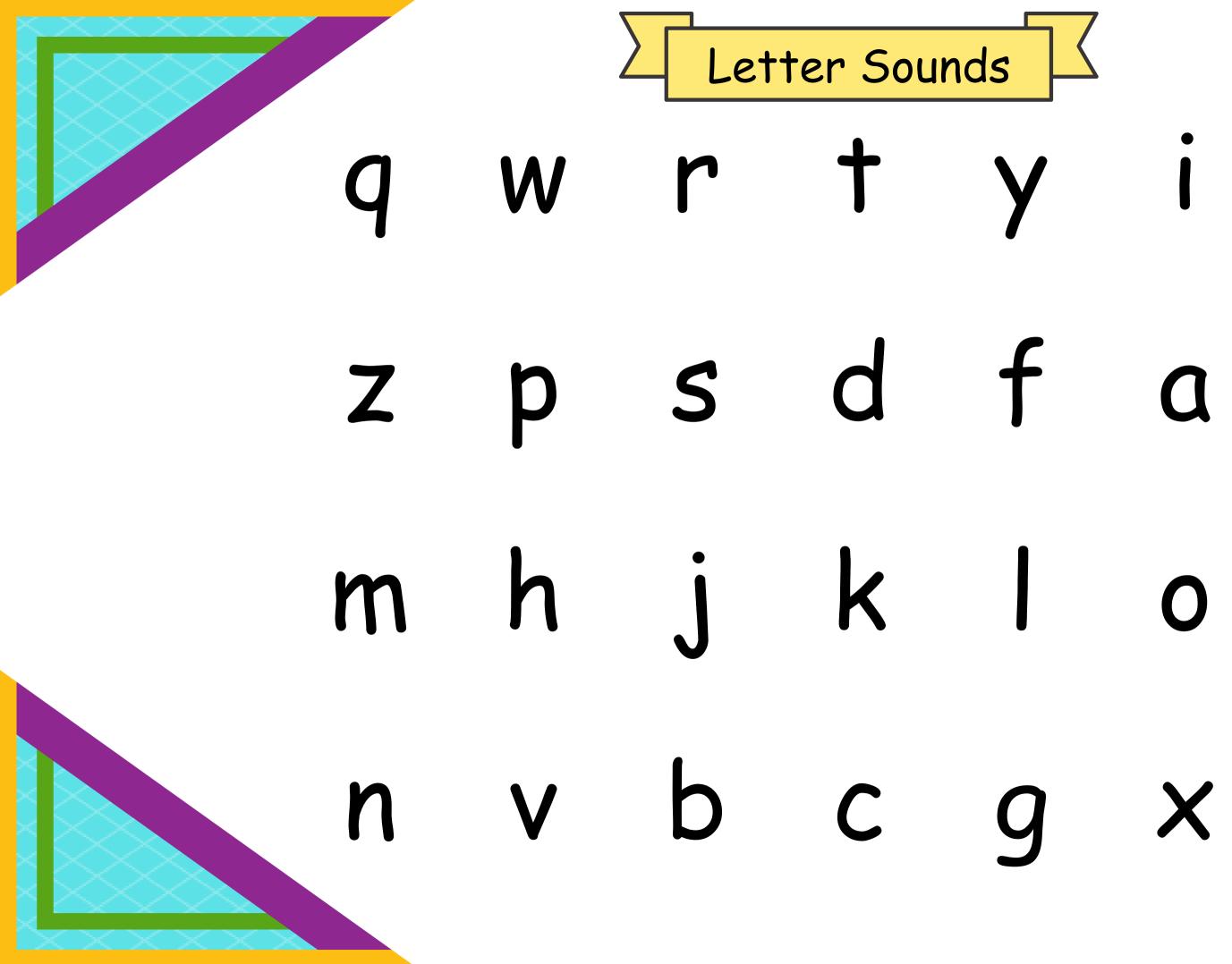


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## Reading Placement Assessment













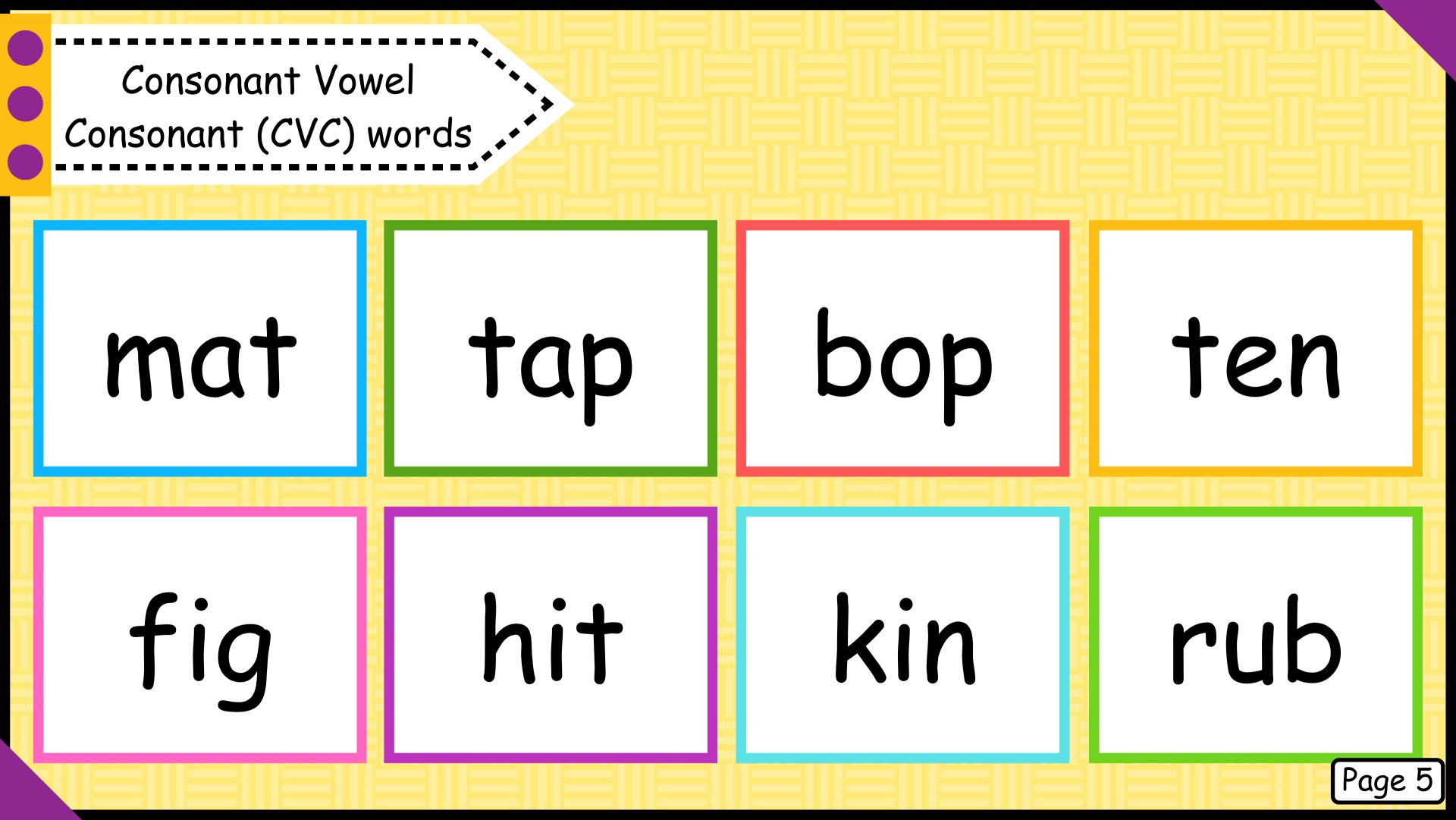
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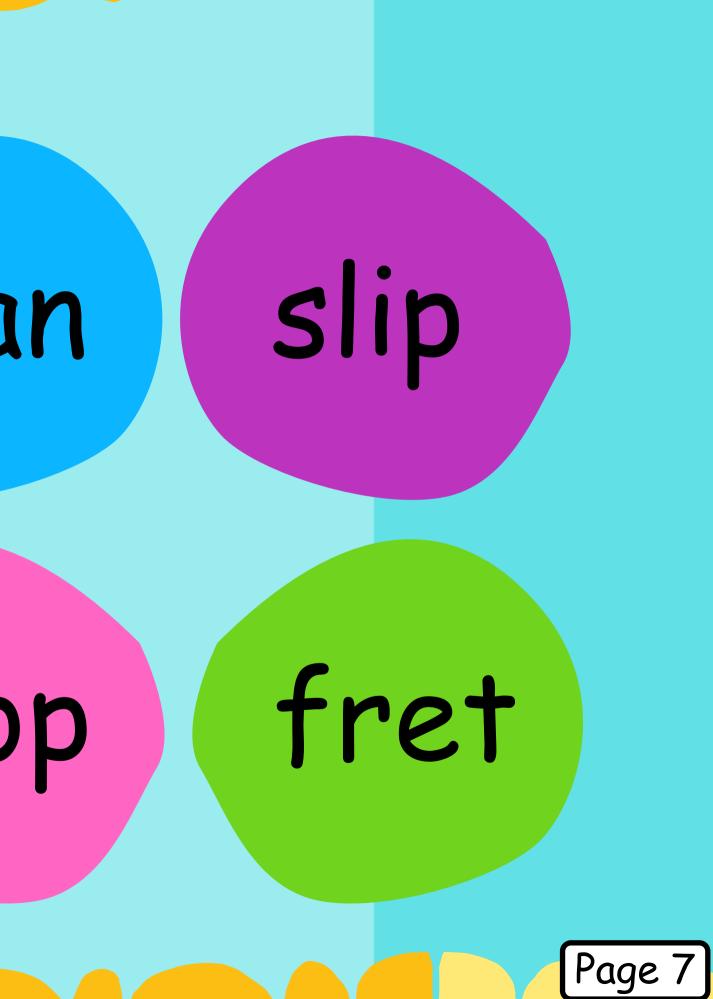
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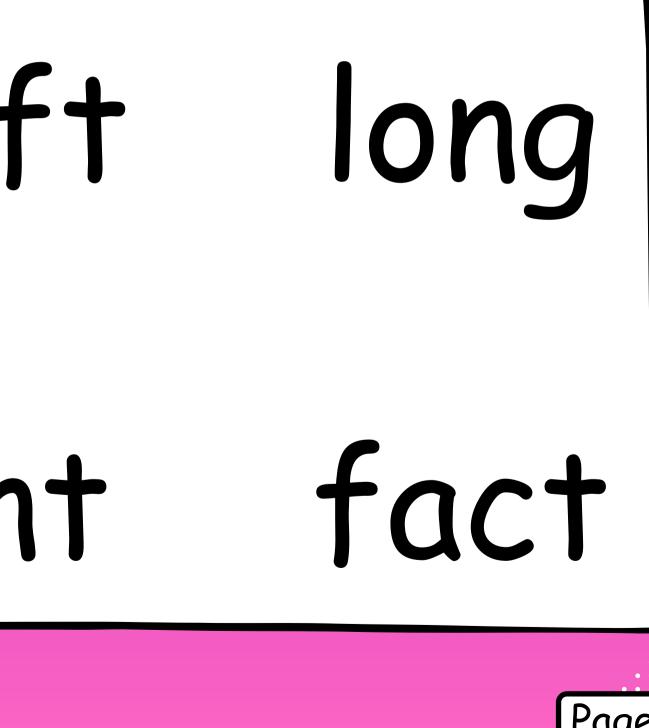


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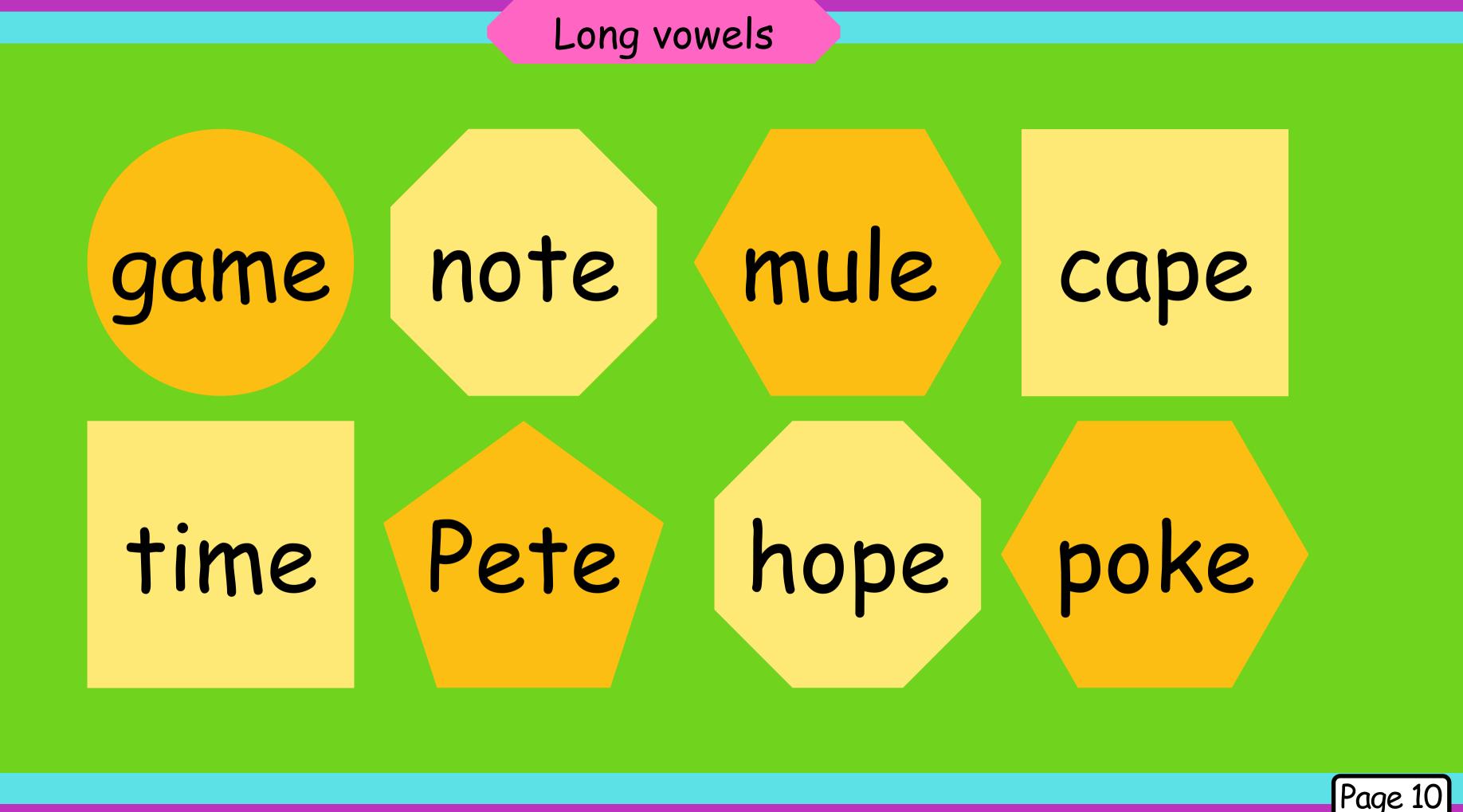
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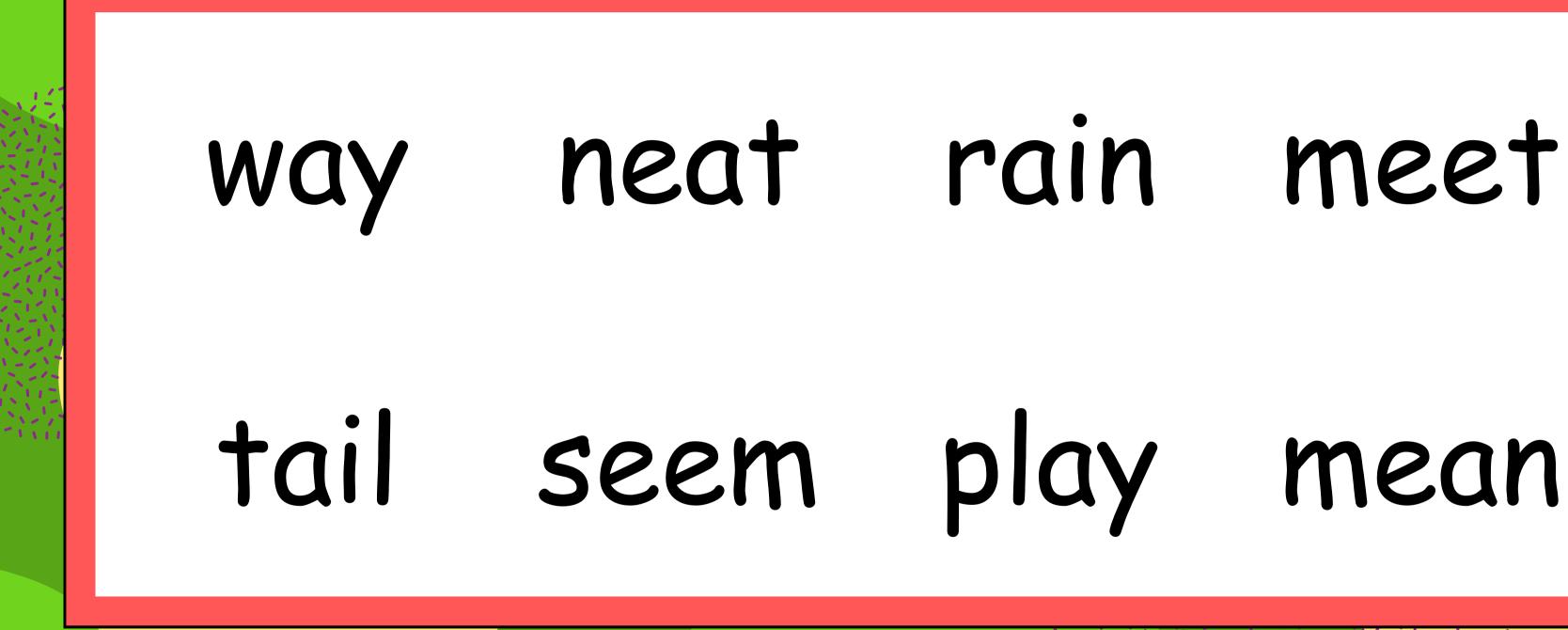
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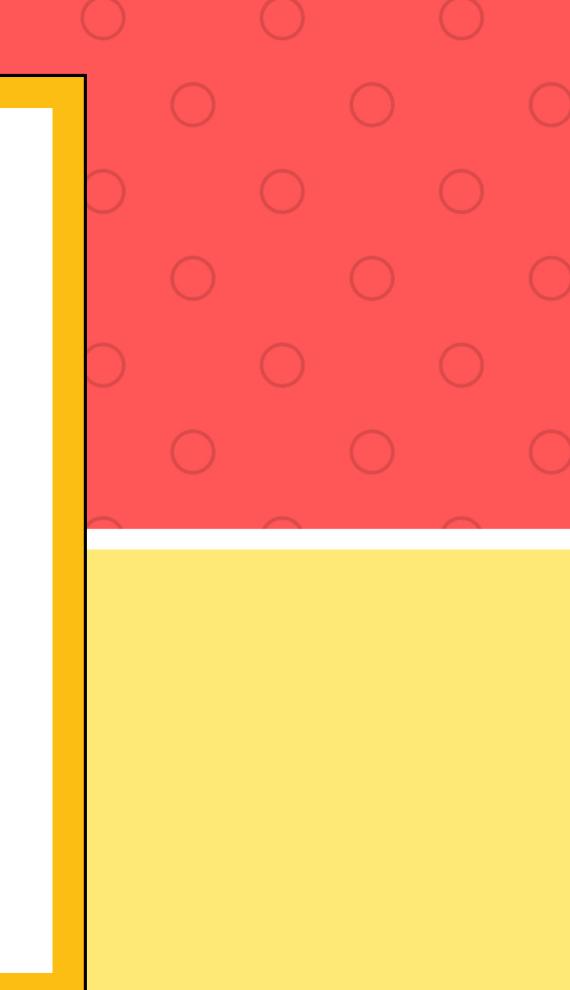
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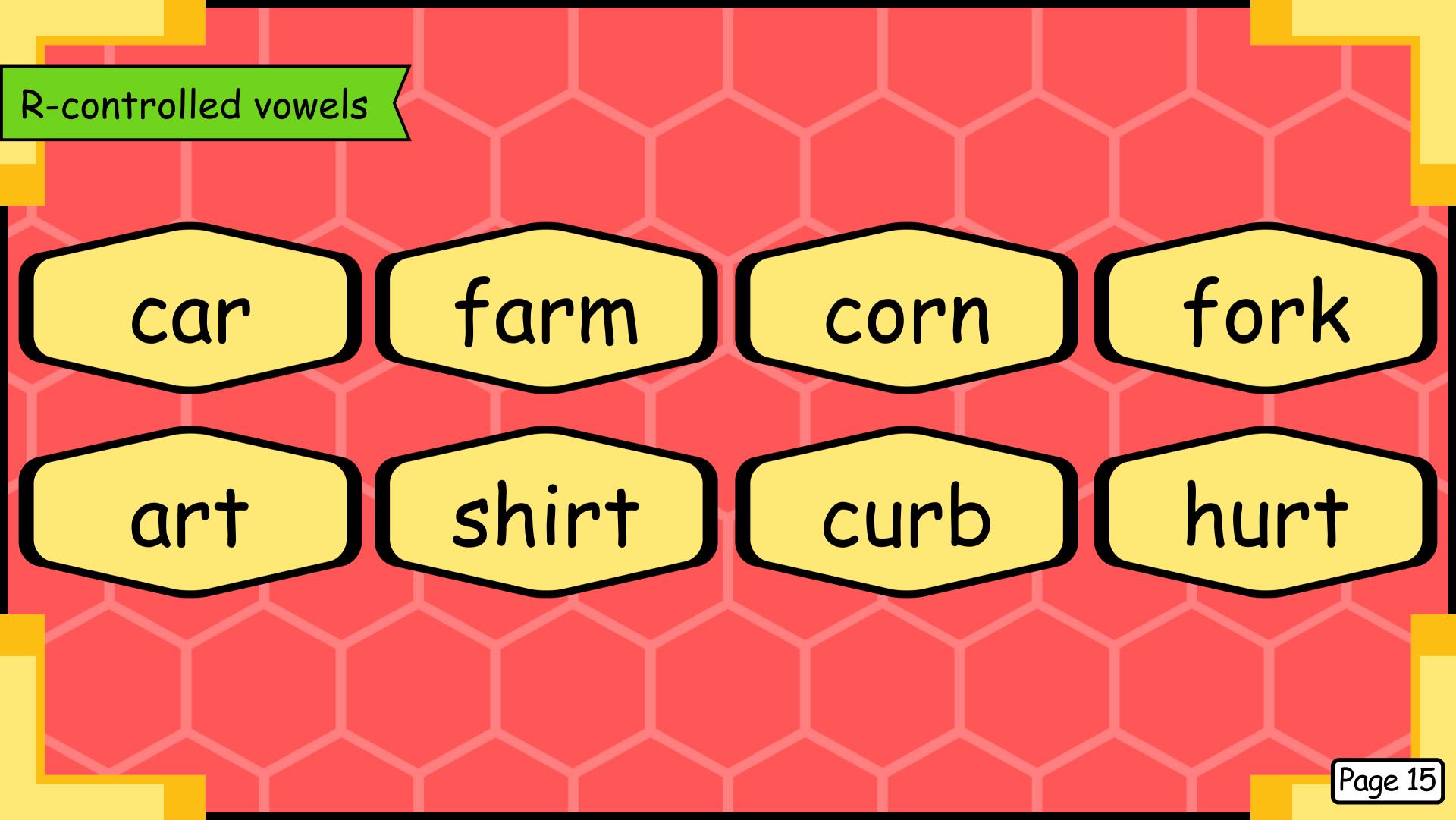


### Vowel Diphthongs

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## Complex Phonics Patterns plow pout head rice phone page



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I scream, you scream, we all scream for summer! Spring is gone and summer is here. Summer is a time to splash and play in the water. Cats and dogs scratch and stretch in the summer sun. Sleepy, hot days are spent sipping on straws. On cool nights boys and girls play games in the street. I scream, you scream, we all scream for summer!







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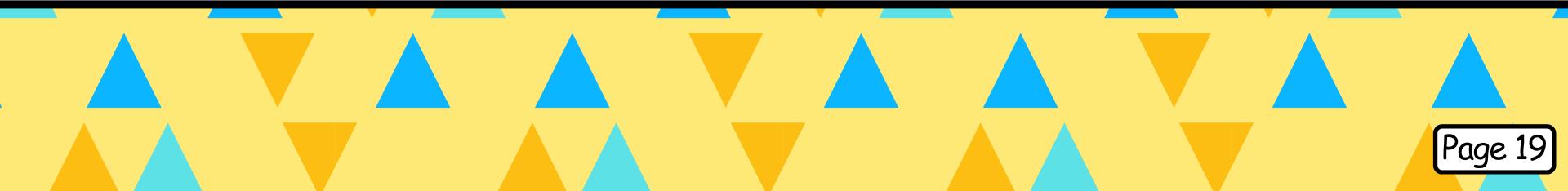
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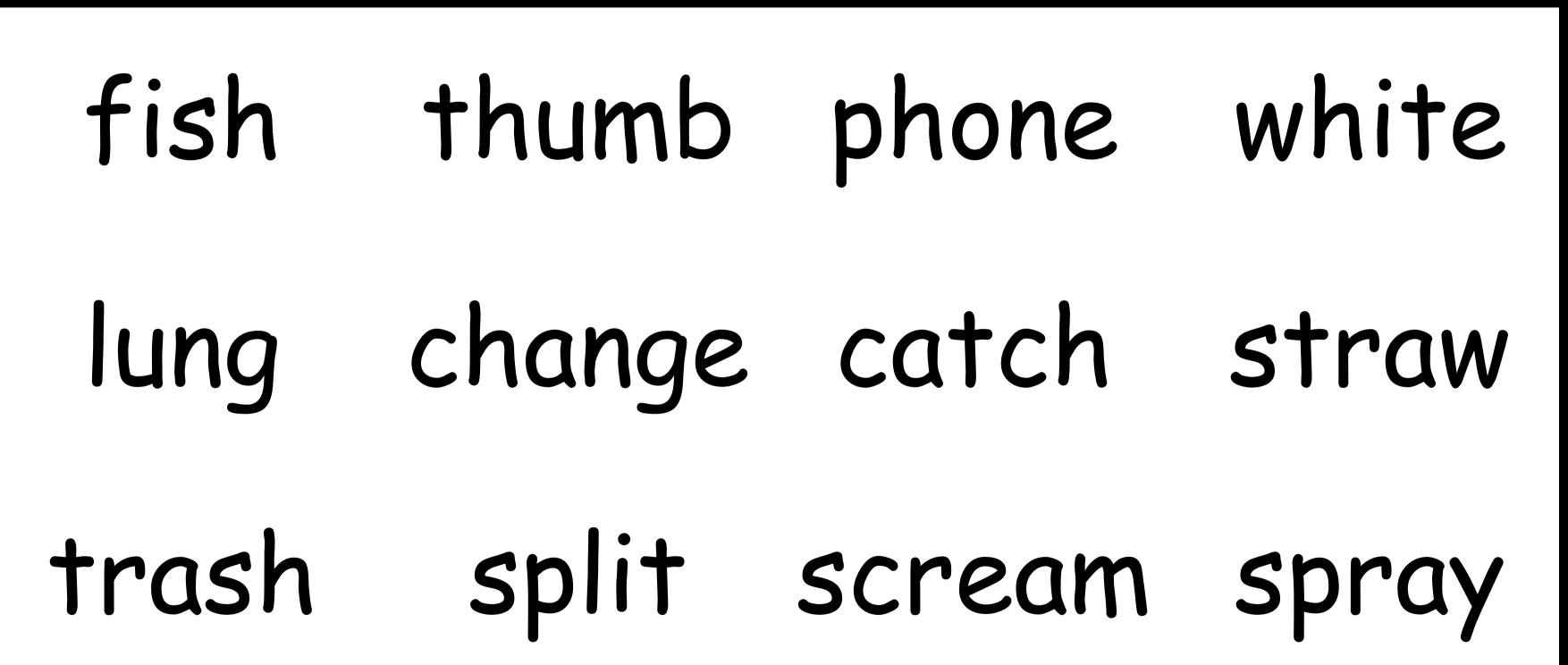
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### Consonant Digraphs & Three letter blends





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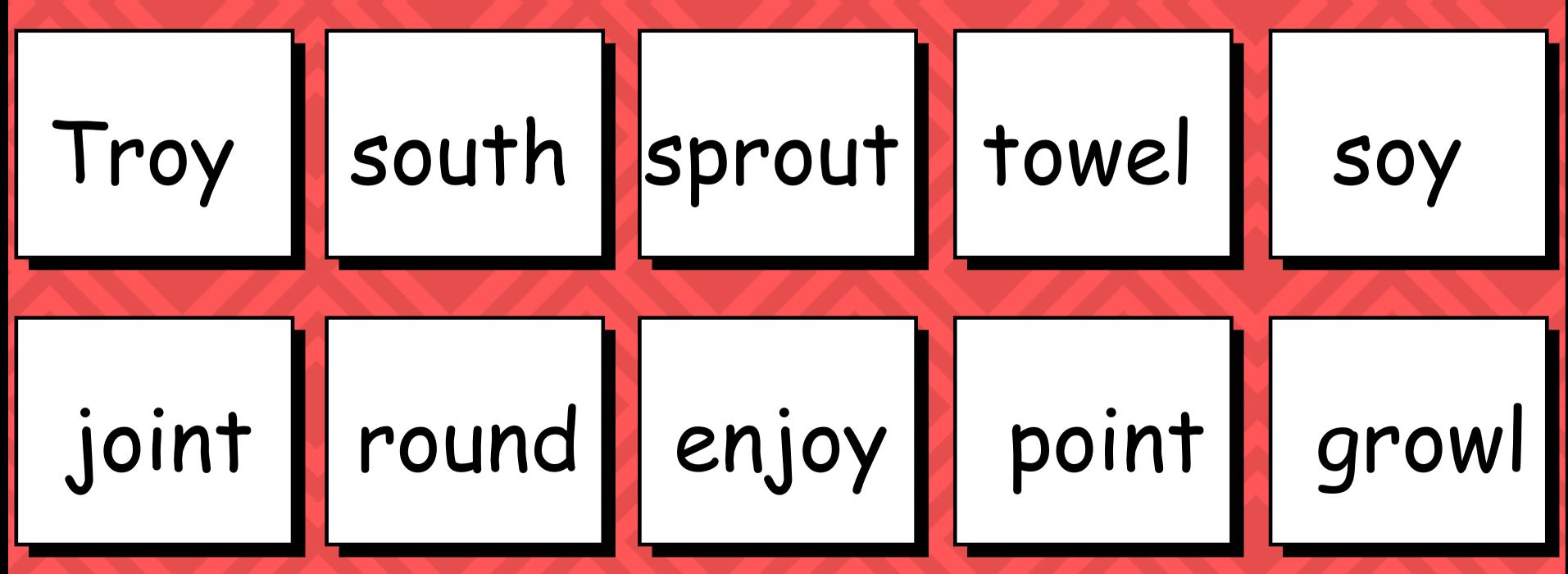
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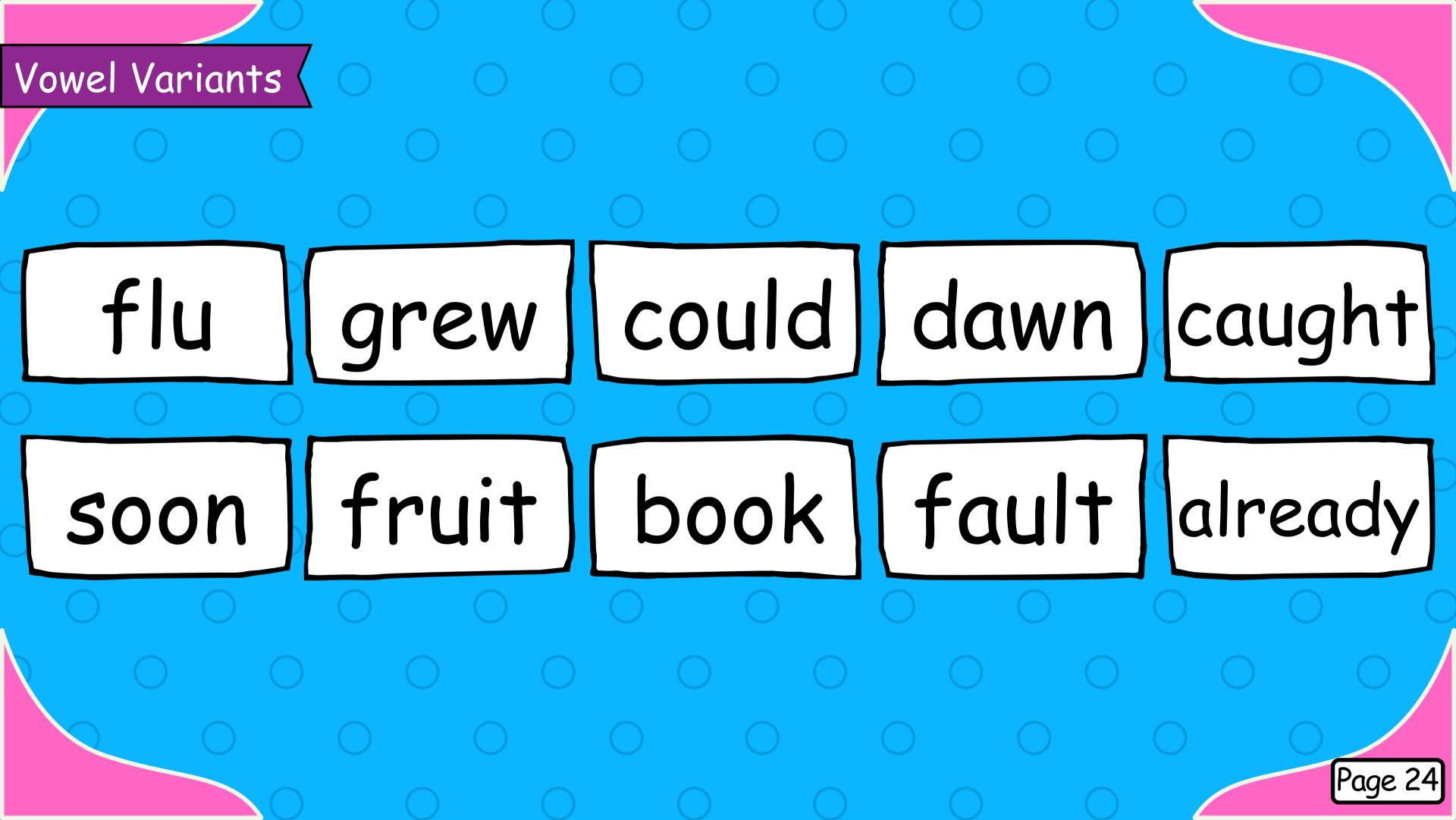






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### Rainbows

Rainbows usually appear when it rains. But they can happen wherever light mixes with water. Rainbows can be seen in mist, fog, spray, and dew. Have you ever seen a double rainbow? This happens when a rainbow reflects itself, like when you look in a mirror. The rainbow on top is the bottom rainbow being reflected again. If you look closely, you will see the colors are backward. The red band is at the bottom, and the violet band is at the top.

You can make a rainbow in your backyard! On a sunny day, stand with your back towards the sun. Grab a garden hose and turn on the water. Next, put your other hand straight up in the air. Start spraying the water halfway between the ground and your hand in the air. You should see a mini rainbow! If this does not work, move the hose up or down to get the right angle.







### Red Pandas

### Not So Black and White

When you hear the word 'panda,' you probably imagine a big black and white bear. Red pandas, however, look nothing like the giant pandas you might be thinking about.

Red pandas are widely considered to be one of the most adorable animals on earth. With a face like a kitten, and fluffy, cinnamoncolored fur, they look cute enough to cuddle. They are much smaller than panda bears. They have pointy ears and a long, bushy, ringed tail like a raccoon. They usually weigh between 8 and 17 pounds, and are about as big as a house cat. They look like raccoons and are the size of cats, but red pandas are a type of bear!

No one knows exactly why they are called 'pandas,' but it may be because of the food that they eat. Red pandas eat lots of bamboo-just like panda bears! They eat about 2-4 pounds of bamboo a day. That's about 20,000 leaves of bamboo every single day! Imagine if you ate the same thing for almost every meal. That's what red pandas do!





### What is a bat?

You may think that a bat is a type of bird because of its wings. Bats, however, are mammals. They are actually the only type of mammal in the world that can truly fly. There are more than 1,300 species of bats in the world. Different types of bats range in size from teeny-tiny to quite large. A kitti's hog-nosed bat is the smallest type of bat. These tiny bats only grow to be 6 inches in size! The flying fox is the largest type of bat, with a wingspan of up to 6 feet. That's taller than most humans! There is no reason to fear these big bats, however. They only eat nectar, fruit and pollen. In fact, most bats eat only insects and fruit.

Bats are NOT a vampire in disguise as some myths may have you believe. There is one type of bat called a vampire bat. Vampire bats do eat blood, but it's mostly blood from cows and horses. Vampire bats almost never drink human blood.

### Thailand

Thailand is home to many exciting animals. Elephants have been a symbol of Thailand for a long time. For many years, visitors have come from all over the world to ride on the elephants. This is happening less and less. People in Thailand have realized that the elephants are happier and better off when they are left alone. There are several elephant sanctuaries throughout Thailand, where the elephants can roam in a safe and protected place. People are welcome to visit the elephant sanctuaries to see the big creatures.

Thailand is home to many different animals besides elephants. Binturongs (BIN-terongs) are a strange-looking animal found there. They are often called 'bearcats' because they look like both a bear and cat. They are shy and sometimes hard to spot. However, if you smell popcorn a binturong might be close by. Binturongs give off a popcorn-like smell!

Thailand is famous for the silk it produces so silkworms are another creature that is important to the Thai people. It takes about 300,000 silkworms to make one pound of

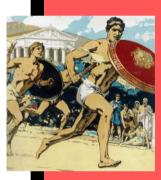
silk fabric.



Every four years, athletes from all over the world gather to compete in the summer Olympic Games. The Olympic Games are more than 3,000 years old. They began in Ancient Greece with just one competition, a foot race. Back then, the games were held in honor of the Greek God Zeus. The athletes all competed naked, because it was believed that created an even playing field. Written records say that a cook named Coroebus (Ko-roi-bus) won that first race, becoming the first Olympic champion. More races were added after about a dozen Olympics, and any man who was born in Greece could compete. Women weren't allowed to compete at all, and married women weren't even allowed to come watch.

The Olympics

The Games of 1896 were considered the first modern Olympics. Since then, the games have only been skipped during World War I, II, and the Covid pandemic. Even though the 1896 games were called modern, the Games still had a long way to go before they would look like what they do today.



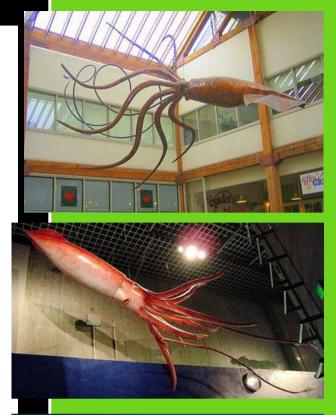
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### Giant Squids

The deepest part of the ocean is a mysterious place that scientists are still learning about. On the ocean floor, there is no light and it's very cold. The pressure is also very strong that far under the water. That makes it very hard for people to visit and animals to survive. The animals that live there have to adapt to the extreme conditions. This means some of them look strange and even a little scary.

One of the most mysterious deep ocean creatures may be the giant squid. The largest one ever seen by scientists was 43 feet long which is longer than two giraffes! Despite their big size, hardly any have been seen. Most of what we know about them come from giant squids who have died and then floated to the surface of the ocean. Their eyes are the size of dinner plates which help the squid sight predators in the pitch dark. To catch their prey, giant squid use two, long feeding tentacles which are covered with sharp, tooth-like, suckers.







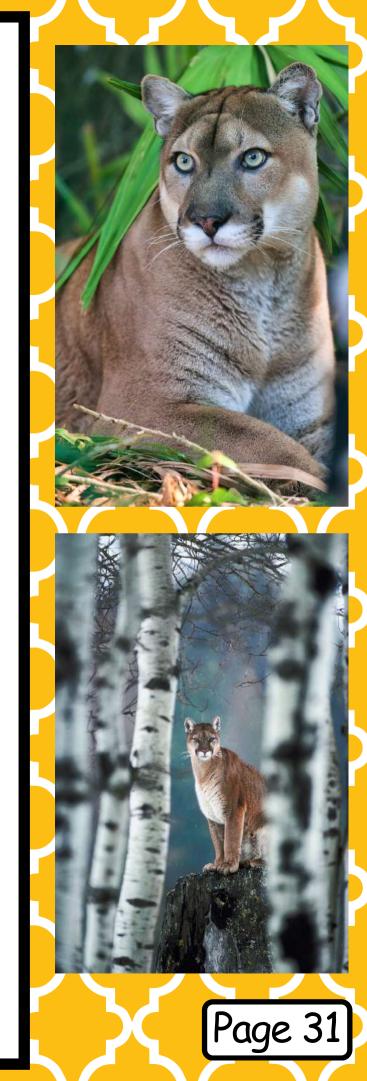


### Florida Panthers

The Florida panther, which became the Florida state animal in 1982, is at risk of extinction.

The panthers in Florida usually live in forests and near swamps. A panther is about ten times larger than a house cat and can weigh as much as 150 pounds. They can leap as far as 15 feet! Although many big cats roar, panthers only hiss, purr, and growl. Panthers are meat eaters and hunt other animals for food, such as armadillos, raccoons, and alligators. Panthers like to live alone and usually live for 12 years.

Around 100 years ago, hundreds of panthers lived in the southeastern United States. Today, less than 150 panthers live in the entire state of Florida. Scientists began studying the reason for the decrease in Florida panthers, and they believe hunting and habitat loss are to blame. People also misunderstand panthers, so they are afraid of them. Many people are not willing to allow panthers to create habitats in new areas. Without places for panthers to live in Florida, wildlife experts are having a difficult time growing the number of panthers.



## Chinese Giant Salamander

Nestled in the rocks of mountainous rivers lies the Chinese Giant Salamander. This giant, aquatic creature is found mostly in China. However, it also has been sighted in parts of Taiwan and Japan. At six feet long and 110 pounds, this creature is the biggest salamander in the world. It also has the longest lifespan of any amphibian -- over 70 years. Despite living fully underwater, the salamander does not have gills! Instead, it absorbs oxygen through its skin. The fast-moving water found in rivers delivers more oxygen than still water would. It has tiny eyes and very poor eyesight. However, its eyes can sense movements in the water, and special sensors along its body detect prey. It enjoys a diet of fish, worms, and small mammals.

The Chinese Giant Salamander may not be the most beautiful, but it certainly is very valuable. A salamander can sell for over \$1,500! Scientists estimate that only 20 percent of the world's population remains. The Chinese Giant Salamander is very rare, and sightings are few.











### **Poison Dart Frogs**

One of the deadliest creatures of the Amazon is smaller than the size of a paperclip! The poison dart frog is only between 0.5 - 2 inches long, but it is extremely toxic. In fact, the golden poison dart frog has enough poison to kill 10 adult men! For hundreds of years, a tribe of natives in Colombia used the frogs' powerful poison to coat their blowgun darts for hunting. Thus, they became known as poison dart frogs. There are many kinds of poison dart frogs and they come in a large range of colors with bold patterns of yellow, orange, red, green, or blue. This bright coloring warns predators that they are toxic and provides protection from being eaten. Scientists aren't exactly sure what causes poison dart frogs to be poisonous. Most

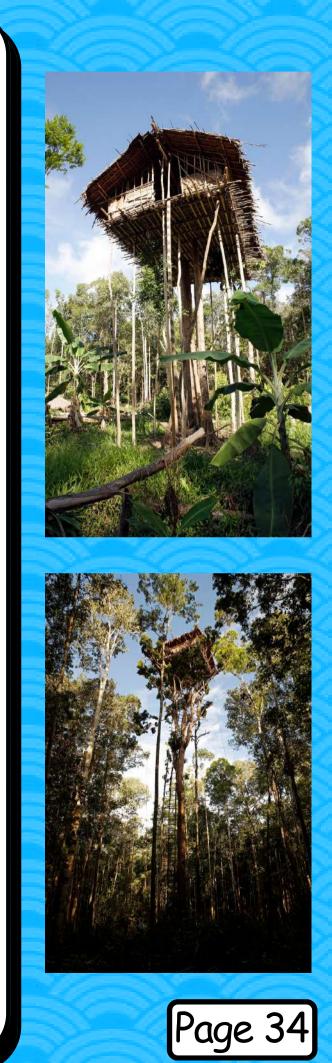
Scientists aren't exactly sure what causes poison dart frogs to be poisonous. Most poison dart frogs eat ants, termites, and beetles. It's possible that these beetles cause the frogs to become poisonous over time as they are eaten by the frogs. Poison dart frogs raised in captivity who never eat Amazonian beetles don't develop any poison!



### Crazy Places to Live: Treehouses

In Indonesia, a tribe of treehouse dwellers called the Korowai live in areas of the jungle so far away from civilization that we didn't even discover them until 1974! It's estimated that there are about 3,000 Korowai living in clans of about 10 to 20 people. Each clan has its own territory of four or five treehouses. Most of these treehouses are built 20-40 feet above the ground, but in some clans the treehouses reach as high as 150 feet!

The treehouses are built completely out of materials found in the jungle. Branches and bark from the sago palm tree make the floors and walls. Large leaves are woven together to create a roof. A series of long ladders and landings provide passage from the ground up to the treehouse. It takes a couple of days to make a treehouse, and then it lasts for three to five years. When it's time to build a new house, they usually build it in the same area.



### Beck Weathers versus Mt. Everest

Beck Weathers was by all accounts a very successful man. He had a good career, a loving family, and an impressive climbing hobby. Under the surface, however, Beck felt like he was falling apart. He had struggled with depression for most of his life, and his constant need to chase bigger mountains was causing major fractures in his family. Beck was convinced that if he could conquer Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world, he could conquer his mountain of mental health challenges.

In the spring of 1996, Beck Weathers joined a group of eight people led by mountaineer Rob Hall. Beck hoped to join an elite club of climbers who had climbed the highest mountain on each of the seven continents. If Beck was successful on Mount Everest, he would only have one mountain left. Climbing Mount Everest takes several months, with climbers stopping at a series of four camps along their path to the summit. Beck was feeling energetic and excited. After several weeks, Beck's group arrived at Camp

IV, ready for the final push to the summit.



### Cheetahs

Like many other mothers in the animal kingdom, the cheetah does the work of cub-raising all on her own. A mother cheetah will have between two and eight cubs at a time, and it's a full-time job trying to keep them alive.

Only 5% of cheetah cubs make it to adulthood. In fact, The Serengeti Cheetah Project has been tracking cheetahs in Tanzania since 1980. Using the unique spot patterns on their coats, scientists can identify cubs and track them to adulthood. They've been able to determine that most female cheetahs never raise a single cub to adulthood, despite having multiple litters. One such cheetah mom was Cambazola (Cam-buh-zola.) She had five litters of cubs, and yet not a single cub made it to adulthood.

Life as a baby cheetah is extremely dangerous. Lions, hyenas, and other predators are constantly trying to attack baby cubs when their mother isn't looking. In addition, the Serengeti, where many cheetahs live, is a hazardous environment. It's very hot, and water and food can be scarce. Perhaps because the likelihood of their survival is so low, cheetahs are some of the most protective mothers in nature.





# Goodbye!

