

A **diphthong** is **two vowel sounds** in the same syllable.

- ▶ A **diphthong** begins as one sound and moves to another sound.
- ▶ **ow** and **ou** say /ow/.
- ▶ **oi** and **oy** say /oi/.

Diphthongs			
/ow/		/oi/	
ow	ou	oi	oy
cow down 	mouse couch 	oil coin 	toy loyal 

Not example of diphthong sound
 paint, green – two vowels make one sound

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Do you hear /ow/ in *brown*? **Yes/No** How do you know?

brown



Why does the word *mail* not have a diphthong sound?

“Mail does not have a diphthong sound because _____.”

Do you hear /oi/ in *joy*? **Yes/No** How do you know?

Joy



In your own words, what is a diphthong?

“A diphthong is a _____.”

1. Look at the word and identify the diphthong in the word. (underline)
2. Read the diphthong word three times aloud.
3. Read the sentence with the diphthong word.

	Word with Diphthong	Sentence with diphthong
1	how	How are you?
2	town	I live in a small town .
3	house	The house is new.
4	blouse	She wore a white blouse .
5	oink	A pig says oink .
6	soil	Plants need soil .
7	boy	The boy is nice.
8	joy	Reading gives her much joy .

1. Look at the word and identify all the diphthongs. (underline)
2. Read each diphthong.
3. Read the sentence with the diphthong word.

	Sentences
9	The crowd will shout during the game.
10	They found a brown cow walking around town.
11	The boy enjoys collecting coins.
12	Soybeans are grown in moist soil.

Skill Closure

1. Look at the word and identify the diphthong in the word. (underline)
2. Read the diphthong word three times aloud.
3. Read the sentence with the diphthong word.

	Word with Diphthong	Sentence with diphthong
1	clown	He is a funny clown .
2	loud	The music is very loud .
3	join	She will join the team.
4	enjoy	They will enjoy the show.

Concept Closure

Read each sentence.

Read the diphthong from the sentence. Say the sound and spelling of the diphthong.

- 1 The fire made the water to boil.
- 2 Thunder is the sound caused by lightning.
- 3 He is the royal prince.

Summary Closure

What did you learn today about reading words with diphthongs?

1. Look at the word and identify the diphthong in the word. (underline)
2. Read the diphthong word three times aloud.
3. Read the sentence with the diphthong word.

	Word with Diphthong	Sentence with diphthong
1	enjoy	She enjoys singing.
2	spoiled	The milk spoiled and tasted bad.
3	hound	A hound is a dog.
4	point	Please point to the answer.
5	crown	She wore a crown.

**Identify the diphthongs in each sentence.
Then, read the sentence with the diphthongs.**

	Sentences
1	The crowd watched the team row down the stream.
2	Each vowel makes two sounds.
3	That boy has a squeaky voice.
4	She used foil to keep the cake moist.

Listen to the text read aloud. Sort the diphthong words from the text by sound. Underline the spelling pattern.

Diphthongs			
/ow/		/oi/	

Read the passage. Circle all the words with diphthongs. Then, sort the diphthong words from the text by sound.

The Storm

One night, there were many dark and round clouds in our town. The sound from the thunder was very loud. It was so loud we could not hear our voices. So we went downstairs to wait out the storm. The neighbor and her boys joined us. We all sat on the couch waiting for the storm to end. It finally did. We all jumped for joy.

Diphthongs			
/ow/		/oi/	

Read the word with the diphthong.
Underline the spelling pattern of the diphthong. Read the sentence.

	Word with Diphthong	Sentence with diphthong
1	cloud	The cloud is dark.
2	poison	Poison ivy is a plant that can make your skin itch.
3	crowd	A crowd is a large group of people.
4	joy	The kitten gave Al much joy.
5	out	They were out shopping.

Write two sentences.
Use as many diphthongs as you can.
 Use the diphthong word bank.
 Make sure to use each type of diphthong
 and both spelling patterns.
 Read the sentences.

Diphthongs			
/ow/		/oi/	
house	brown	boil	joy
south	frown	foil	boy
mouse	growl	soil	toy
round	how	coin	enjoy
sound	cow	join	
loud	crowd	voice	
shout	town	choice	
down			
