Long vowel sounds

The sound /ay/ as in day can be written in different ways.

1 Choose the correct spelling to complete the words in the sentences below. You can use each spelling more than once.

   ay  a_e  ai  a

   a The tr____n was l____ to get into the station.
   b Which d____ can Jack come to pl____?
   c I don’t like the r____n.

The sound /ee/ as in tree can be written in different ways.

2 Choose the correct spelling to complete the words in the sentences below:

   ee  e_e  ey  ie  ea

   a I can s____ the s____.
   b The th____f stole the gold k____.
   c The old oak tr____ stood in the big f____ld.

The sound /igh/ as in high can be written in different ways.

3 Choose the correct spelling to complete the words in the sentences below:

   igh  ie  i_e  i

   a I can see the k_t_ flying h_____ !
   b The moon looks big and br_____t at n_____t.
   c I could not f__nd my school t____.
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The long vowel sounds /ay/, /ee/, /igh/, /oa/, /oo/ and /yoo/ can be written in different ways.

1. Sort the words below into the table to show which long vowel sound they contain. Some words have been sorted for you.

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