

Lesson 23 ***Back on the Right Track Reading Lessons 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*** © 2013  
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Lesson 23:

Teach Sounds:

**ai**            These partner letters have the sound /ay/.

**ay**            These partner letters also have the sound /ay/.

The **ai** and **ay** have the same /ay/ sound. Directly point out the spelling pattern to the student as he makes and reads the words. The 'ai' pattern is used more frequently than the 'ay' pattern. The 'ai' is found at the beginning or middle of a syllable and 'ay' is usually found at the end of a word or syllable. Remind the student that NO English words end in the letter 'i'. Therefore, the 'ai' is never used at the end of a word. The 'ay' or another spelling must be used for words ending in the /ay/ sound.

**Practice Sound Cards:** Practice the sound cards for: **ai ay oa oe ee** and any previous sounds the student does not know automatically.

**Write and Say Sounds:** Write and say each of the sounds 5 to 10 times: **ai, ay, oa, oe, ee** plus any other sound the student does not know automatically.

**Making Words:** Make words with the sound tiles. "Please make the word \_\_\_\_\_"

Use sound tiles e o ai b c d f g l m n p r(2) s t w x

stain waist paint drain faint strain brain grain saint braid explain retain  
refrain remain detail regain reclaim retrain repaid derail complain complaint

Use sound tiles... e i ay b c d l m n p r s t w ing

bray stray maybe praying inlay delay saying midway stingray decay  
repay betray replay staying

**Reading Words with ai spelling for the /ay/ sound:**

aim	aid	rain	wait	rail	gain
bait	main	paid	jail	chain	maid
sail	pain	waist	faint	grain	plain
stain	raid	train	hail	drain	snail
praise	strain	slain	trait	brain	pail
saint	braid	quaint	mail	faint	laid

faith	raise	gains	Spain	claim	trail
vain	fail	strait	aims	maize	rains
frail	waits	sprain	taint	traits	waive
raisin	rainy	contain	afraid	refrain	plainly 60
reclaim	explain	unchain	detail	retain	derail
retrain	maintain	faithful	pigtail	regain	detain
draining	waiting	unpaid	mainly	aiming	engrain
raining	fainted	baiting	abstain	aided	gained
complain	ailment	proclaim	domain	dainty	prepaid
abstain	remain	braided	unpaid	sustain	braiding
mainland	daily	waitress	painful	training	rainfall
mailed	handrail	claimed	saintly	exclaim	complaint
acclaim	acquaint	sprained	faithful	constraint	daisy
raincoat	sailing	retail	waiting	attain	maiden 120
constrain	cattail	gaining	sailboat	restrain	praised

----- 3 syllable words -----

remaining	contained	maintaining	exclaimed	retraining	unafraid
proclaimed	restrained	containing	acquainted	explained	refrained

Reading Words with 'ay' spelling for the /ay/ sound:

way	may	bray	play	ray	bay
clay	pay	pray	say	stay	day
slay	tray	stray	hay	sway	lay
spray	fray	jay	pays	days	always
today	playpen	delay	prayed	relay	display
maybe	replay	prepay	decay	hallway	praying 174

delay	staying	pathway	away	midway	essay	180
payday	subway	roadway	railway	paycheck	decay	
skyway	mainstay	inlay	payroll	hayloft	byway	
someday	payment	saying	playoff	daylong	payroll	
halfway	swaying	always	playful	paying	stingray	
freeway	mayfly	spillway	essay	haystack	weekday	
mislaid	repaid	betrayed	payload	away	mayday	
midday	sickbay	dismay	ashtray	layoff	spraying	

----- 3 syllable words -----

holiday	rollaway	displaying	expressway	layaway	betrayed
decayed	giveaway	replaying	displayed	copayment	runaway

lesson word count: 234

**Writing/Spelling Words:** Select some of the listed words for the student to write. Directly teach the student the spelling patterns and don't mix 'ai' and 'ay' words. Tell the student the 'ai' spelling pattern is used most often and give him 'ai' words. Point out this 'ai' is usually found at the beginning or middle of a syllable. Also point out NO words end in the 'ai' spelling. Next tell him the /ay/ sound in these words will be spelled with 'ay' and then give him 'ay' words. Point out how the 'ay' spelling is usually found at the end of a word or syllable.