

## Decodable Texts: Silent E (A-E)

"This nonfiction story teaches a fun game to help you learn shape names. Look for long A words like 'tape' and 'name' as you read."



### The Shape Game

You can play a game to learn about shape names!

First, make cards. On each card, tape a shape.

Use a plate to trace a circle.

Use a straight edge to make a square and a rectangle.

Next, play the game with a friend.

Take turns naming the shape on the card.

If you name it right, you keep the card.

If you make a mistake, give the card back.

Play until the cards are gone!

After reading the story, have your child point to and slowly sound out each practice word.

shape

name

plate

game

tape



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Shape Game

1. What is the first step in the shape game?

- A. Play with a friend
- B. Make shape cards
- C. Trace a circle
- D. Give a card back

2. What happens if you name the shape wrong?

- A. You keep the card
- B. You lose the game
- C. You give the card back
- D. You start again

3. Fill in the blank:

Use a \_\_\_\_\_ to trace a circle.

4. How does this game help you learn shape names?

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5. What shapes would you add to make the game harder?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** a-e Silent E Words

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Math Concepts

**High-Frequency Words:** you, the, take, each, if

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## Before Reading

1. Silent E words with a-e show up often in shape names and game rules.
  2. Have you ever played a game to learn something new?
  3. What are some shapes you already know?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Watch for long A words with silent E. If your child is stuck on a word like “plate,” remind them the E is silent and makes the A say its name.
  2. Watch for a-e words related to shapes and actions
  3. What tools do you need to make the cards?
  4. Try reading the game rules like you are teaching them to a friend
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## After Reading

1. Summarize the steps of the shape game
  2. Why is it helpful to take turns and keep score?
  3. What could make this game even more fun?
  4. Skill Check: Find and underline six a-e words in the story
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read the story again using your “teacher voice” to explain each part clearly!
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## Activity Idea

Make your own set of shape cards at home. Use tape, plates, or rulers to trace and cut out shapes. Write the name on each card and play with a family member or classmate.

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## Coaching Tip

Celebrate effort and accuracy—it’s not just about getting it right, it’s about growing every time they read!

