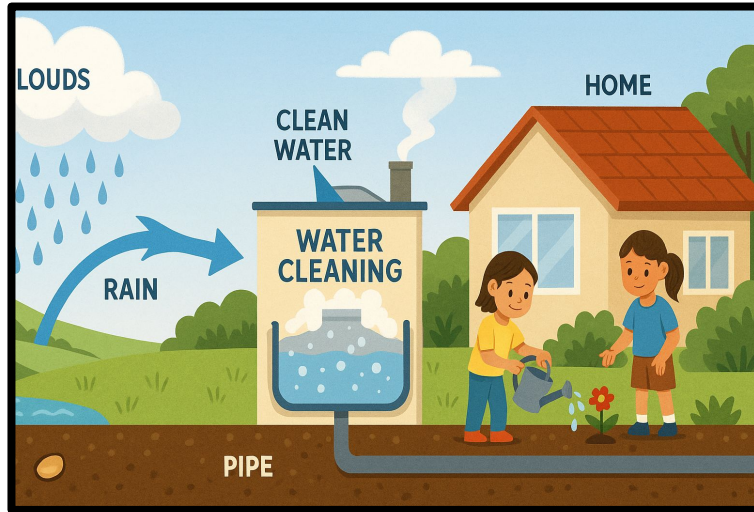


## Decodable Texts: All Long Vowel Teams

"This nonfiction story explains how water stays clean and why it matters. Look for long vowel teams like 'rain,' 'true,' 'steam,' and 'smooth' as you read!"



### Clean Water for All

Clean water helps people, plants, and animals stay healthy.

Rain fills lakes and rivers, where water flows slow and smooth.

Pipes carry it into homes so we can drink, wash, and grow food.

New tools use heat and steam to clean dirty water.

Each drop goes through a long path to become safe and pure.

In some places, water is low, so every drop has great value.

We all must work to keep water clean and true.

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

clean

rain

smooth

steam

grow



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

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## Clean Water for All

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**1. Why is clean water important?**

- A. For fun
- B. For swimming only
- C. For people, plants, and animals
- D. Only for rain

**2. How does water become safe to use?**

- A. It sits in the sun
- B. It flows down hills
- C. It goes through a path and gets cleaned
- D. It grows on trees

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**3. Fill in the blank:**

New tools use heat and \_\_\_\_\_ to clean dirty water.

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**4. What are some ways clean water helps the Earth and living things?**

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**5. Why is it important to protect and save water?**

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** Mixed Long Vowel Teams

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Earth & Environment

**High-Frequency Words:** so, all, new, where, each

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## Before Reading

1. **Before Reading**
  2. This story blends long vowel teams like *ea*, *ow*, *ue*, *oa*, and *ee* in words like *clean*, *grow*, *true*, and *steam*.
  3. What do you use water for every day?
  4. What do you think happens to water before it comes out of your faucet?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Sound out long vowel words like *clean*, *steam*, *smooth*, *true*, and *rain* as you go.
  2. Watch for vowel team words that explain how water moves and gets cleaned
  3. What do tools do to clean water?
  4. Read the final line like it's a call to action—slow, clear, and strong
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## After Reading

1. Retell how water becomes clean and why it matters
  2. What are three things clean water helps us do?
  3. What's one way you can help protect water today?
  4. Skill Check: Highlight six mixed long vowel team words in the story
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again like you're giving an Earth Day speech to your class
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## Activity Idea

Draw the clean water path from rain to faucet. Label parts using long vowel team words like “clean,” “steam,” “grow,” or “true.” Write one sentence about how clean water helps life.

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## Coaching Tip

Link environmental learning with decoding—when students read to protect their world, they read with more purpose.

