

## Decodable Texts: Long Vowel Teams: oy & oi

"This story focuses on the 'oi' and 'oy' sounds, like in 'oil' and 'joy.' Watch for words like 'spoil,' 'oil,' and 'joy' as you read!"



### How an Oil Spill Affects the Ocean

Oil spills happen when oil leaks into the ocean. This can spoil the clean water and harm sea life.

When oil floats on the water, it blocks sunlight and makes it hard for fish and plants to survive. Birds might get oil on their feathers, making it hard for them to fly or stay warm.

People work hard to clean up oil spills. They use big boats, nets, and special tools to remove the oil and protect the animals.

Keeping the ocean clean brings joy to everyone who loves the sea.

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

oil

spoil

joy

avoid

enjoy



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

## How an Oil Spill Affects the Ocean

1. What happens when oil floats on the water?

- A. It makes the water cleaner
- B. It blocks sunlight and harms sea life
- C. It helps birds fly higher
- D. It gives fish more food

2. How do people clean up oil spills?

- A. They use big boats, nets, and special tools
- B. They wait for rain to wash it away
- C. They move the animals far away
- D. They cover it with sand

3. Fill in the blank:

Oil spills can \_\_\_\_\_ the clean water and harm sea life.

4. Why is it important to clean up oil spills quickly?

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5. What can you do to help keep the ocean clean?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** Long Vowel Teams 'oi' and 'oy'

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Environmental Science

**High-Frequency Words:** the, and, to, they, their

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## Before Reading

1. Remind them of the target skill: "We're looking for 'oi' and 'oy' words that say the /oi/ sound, like in 'oil' and 'joy.'"
  2. Have you ever heard about an oil spill before?
  3. Why do you think it's important to protect the ocean?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Remind kids to try the /oi/ sound first when they see 'oi' or 'oy.'
  2. Watch for 'oi' and 'oy' words and stretch them out slowly.
  3. What do people use to clean up oil spills?
  4. Try reading the last sentence with happiness and hope!
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## After Reading

1. Can you retell what happens during an oil spill?
  2. Why does oil hurt birds and fish?
  3. What would you tell others about keeping the ocean clean?
  4. Skill mastery prompt: "Find and underline 5 'oi' or 'oy' words in the story!"
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Try reading the story again like you're giving a news report!
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## Activity Idea

Draw a poster to remind people to keep the ocean clean. Use at least three 'oi' or 'oy' words and draw pictures of clean water and happy sea animals.

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## Coaching Tip

Encourage your reader to take pride in helping the Earth—every small action makes a difference!

