

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

"This story focuses on the 'oi' and 'oy' sounds, like in 'enjoy' and 'noisy.' Watch for words like 'enjoy,' 'avoid,' and 'noisy' as you read!"



### How to Enjoy a Nature Hike

A nature hike is a fun way to enjoy the outdoors. You can explore trails, listen to birds, and see bright flowers along the path.

Before you go, pack water and snacks. Wear sturdy shoes and a hat to avoid too much sun.

As you walk, keep your eyes and ears open. You might hear a noisy bird high in a tree or see a squirrel jump from branch to branch.

The best part of a hike is enjoying the quiet sights and sounds of nature!

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

avoid

enjoy

joy

join

noisy



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

## How to Enjoy a Nature Hike

**1. What should you do before going on a hike?**

- A. Wear flip-flops and bring candy
- B. Pack water and snacks and wear sturdy shoes
- C. Stay home and watch TV
- D. Bring a big loud radio

**2. What might you see or hear on a nature hike?**

- A. A noisy bird and a jumping squirrel
- B. A roaring lion and a big bear
- C. A boat sailing on a lake
- D. A loud train passing by

**3. Fill in the blank:**

The best part of a hike is \_\_\_\_\_ the quiet sights and sounds of nature.

**4. Why do you think people like to avoid too much sun on a hike?**

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**5. What would you like to see or hear if you went on a nature hike?**

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# Coaching Guide

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

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Nature & Outdoor Activities

**High-Frequency Words:** the, and, to, you, your

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## Before Reading

1. Remind them of the target skill: "We're working on words where 'oi' and 'oy' say the /oi/ sound, like in 'enjoy' and 'noisy.'"
  2. Have you ever been on a nature hike? What did you see or hear?
  3. What do you think makes being in nature fun and relaxing?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Remind kids that 'oi' and 'oy' both say the /oi/ sound. Try that sound first when you see these patterns.
  2. Watch for 'oi' and 'oy' words and stretch them out carefully.
  3. What should you do before you leave for a hike?
  4. Try reading the last sentence slowly and peacefully, like you're really enjoying the quiet outdoors.
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## After Reading

1. Can you retell what you should do to prepare for a hike?
  2. Why do you think people enjoy the quiet sounds of nature?
  3. Would you like to go on a hike? Where would you want to explore?
  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 helpful advice to a friend who is going on a hike!
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## Activity Idea

Draw a picture of a nature trail and label what you might see or hear using at least three 'oi' or 'oy' words. Write a sentence about why you would enjoy this hike.

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## Coaching Tip

Encourage readers to take their time and imagine the peaceful outdoors—it helps bring nonfiction to life!

