

## Decodable Texts: Long Vowel Teams: ew

"This nonfiction story explains what dew is. Watch for 'ew' words like 'dew,' 'new,' and 'few' as you learn how this light water forms!"



### What Is Morning Dew?

Dew is the wet shine you see on grass early in the day.

It forms when warm air cools and water drops land on the ground.

You may spot dew on leaves, flowers, or even a car.

Dew is not rain—it comes from the air, not clouds.

Some plants use dew for water when there is no new rain.

Animals like frogs and bugs drink the dew too.

Dew helps nature stay fresh and cool.

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

new

few

dew

grew

view



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

## What Is Morning Dew?

1. When does dew form?

- A. Late at night
- B. When the sun is high
- C. Early in the day
- D. Only in winter

2. Where can you find dew?

- A. Under rocks
- B. On clouds
- C. On grass and leaves
- D. In water bottles

3. Fill in the blank:

Some plants use dew for water when there is no \_\_\_\_\_ rain.

4. How does dew help both plants and animals?

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5. Why is dew different from rain?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** ew Vowel Team (Long U)

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Nature / Weather

**High-Frequency Words:** the, from, you, when, some

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## Before Reading

1. This nonfiction text uses “ew” words like *dew*, *new*, and *few* to explain something you can see in the morning.
  2. Have you ever walked outside early and felt grass that was wet?
  3. Why might plants or bugs need dew?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Stretch the long U sound in “ew” words like *dew*, *new*, and *view*.
  2. Watch for ew words describing where dew forms and why
  3. What does dew help in nature?
  4. Read the sentence about animals with interest, like a nature guide
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## After Reading

1. Retell how dew forms and where it shows up
  2. What makes dew helpful in dry weather?
  3. What would you want to explore in nature early in the morning?
  4. Skill Check: Highlight six ew words in the passage
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again in a calm, thoughtful voice like you're giving a nature walk tour
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## Activity Idea

Draw a scene with morning dew on grass, flowers, and a bug drinking. Label items using ew words like “dew,” “few,” “new,” or “view.” Write one sentence about why dew is useful.

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## Coaching Tip

Topics like dew help tie science to reading—use simple observations to bring phonics to life outdoors.

