



The Train in the Rain

Sound: ai / ay

Set 3 • Vowel teams

Decodable story

Jay waits on the platform with his dad. It is a dull day and the rain drips. Then the train comes. It is slow, but Jay is not upset. He sits next to the window. He plays with his toy snail. The train sways on the rails. Jay sees a goat in the hay. Then they get to Gran's. Hooray! Jay and Gran play in the rain.

Read it 3 times. Colour a star each time.



Find 6 words with ai / ay in the story. Write them here.

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_____	_____	_____

Grown-ups: Point to each word as your child reads. ai and ay make the same sound. ay usually comes at the end of a word (day), ai in the middle (rain). Read it three times this week; it gets smoother each time.



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Practise the **ai / ay** sound with Digby in the app. Scan the code or visit wombatwords.app
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Trace the ai / ay words

Sound: ai / ay

Handwriting: VIC / WA / NT Beginners

Trace the grey words, then write each word on your own at the end of the line.

waits

waits

waits

rain

rain

rain

train

train

train

plays

plays

plays

snail

snail

snail

sways

sways

sways



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