Spelling list: ea words

In words like reach, dream, and wheat, the long /e/ sound is spelt using the letters ea.

Notice how the *long vowel sound* in each example in this list falls in the middle of the word. Exceptions to this rule include: *plea*, *flea*, and *sea*.

reach	The higher shelf is out of my reach .
deal	His manner conveyed a great deal of arrogance.
dream	What did you dream about last night?
fear	Many people have a fear of snakes.
wheat	Bread is made from wheat .
feast	We shared a splendid feast .
breathe	He needs a ventilator to help him breathe.
leave	Switch off the lights when you leave the room.
squeak	The mouse began to squeak .
appear	You appear to be upset.
beaver	We saw a beaver by the stream today.
beneath	The tourists stood beneath the arch.
creature	A crocodile is a very dangerous creature.
decrease	There was a decrease in population.
repeat	Using a stencil allows a painter to repeat a pattern.