

HOMEWORK

Name: _____ Date: _____

Vowels sounds 'ie', 'ei'

The letters 'ie' and 'ei' together can both make a long 'e' sound (ee) and are often confused.

- **Vowels** are the letters 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u', all other letters are **consonants**.
- Vowels can make a **short sound** ('e' as in 'met') or a **long sound** ('e' as in 'meet').
- These words follow the rule *"'i' before 'e' except after 'c' if it rhymes with 'bee'"*
- 'i' before 'e' is by far the most common spelling but there are many exceptions to the rule.

Copy each word, then try to write it without copying. Use the final column to correct any mistakes or to test each group of words.

<i>(list 5:12)</i>	Practise 1 <i>(copy into space)</i>	Practise 2 <i>(fold and hide)</i>	Can spell word <i>(check and correct)</i>
Spelling tip:	<i>'ie' can make the long 'i' sound (eye).</i>		
<i>pie</i>			
<i>lie</i>			
<i>diet</i>			
<i>died</i>			
<i>tried</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>'ie' can make the long 'e' sound (ee). This is much more common.</i>		
<i>field</i>			
<i>thief</i>			
<i>relief</i>			
<i>believe</i>			
<i>achieve</i>			

Spelling tip:	<i>'ei' can also make the long 'e' sound (ee). 'i' before 'e' except after 'c' if it rhymes with 'bee'.</i>		
<i>ceiling</i>			
<i>deceive</i>			
<i>receive</i>			
<i>perceive</i>			
<i>deceit</i>			