

One Syllable Words with Vowel Sound “i” (gym)

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The “i” spelling of /i/ is covered early in the Basic Code section and the “y” spelling is left to later when it is presented on its own. It is useful to point out to students that the letter “y” represents the same three sounds as the letter “i” does.

The “y” spelling of /i/ represents the third occurrence of the letter “y” in the curriculum. The typical “yuh” sound which is taught as the consonant sound of the letter “y” in words like “yard” is not taught. Instead, students are shown during instruction on the /ee/ sound how using an /ee/ sound when the letter “y” is encountered at the beginning of a word, and pronouncing it very quickly, results in the correct word being enunciated.

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crypt
gym
hymn
myth