



ACTIVITY GUIDE

Episode 303: Vowel Teams and Biographies

Book: *The Wonderful Tower of Watts* by Patricia Zelter

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Read It

Read the following passage out loud. Underline the words with the **ee**, **ea**, and **ai** vowel teams

Lucy is an engineer who builds bridges. In order to make her bridges beautiful she adds colorful lights all along the bridge. Lucy rides on a boat beneath the bridge to see the lights. A worker maintains the lights so they don't burn out and stop working. Lucy loves her sparkling bridges and so do many people!

Phonics Skills

A syllable is a word part that has one, and only one vowel sound. Sometimes a syllable has more than one of these vowels, but they work together to make only one sound.

In a **vowel team**, two vowels work together to make one sound.

ee makes the long vowel sound /E/

ea makes the long vowel sound /E/

ai makes the long vowel sound /A/

Look for vowel pairs when reading your favorite books.

Write It

When reading a narrative informational text such as *The Wonderful Towers of Watts*, by Patricia Zelter, a boxes and bullets organizer can be used to determine the main idea of a story and provide details to support that main idea.

Main idea:	Details: <ul style="list-style-type: none">•••
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