

ACTIVITY GUIDE

Episode 304: Vowel Teams and

Writing Biographies

Book: The Wonderful Tower of

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Read It

Read the following passage out loud. The bolded words contain vowel teams with the long /E/ sound.

When Lucy builds a bridge, she thinks about it in every **season**. Will it be slippery in winter **weather**? Will it be too hot in summer **weather**? It is a **relief** when her bridges are safe and **beautiful** in every type of **weather**!

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. We call these **vowel teams.**

The following vowel teams make the long vowel sound /E/.

ea ee ie

Spell It

- 1. Say the word
- 2. Write lines for each syllable
- 3. Write a line for each sound you hear
- 4. Write the corresponding letters.

Does the word look right? Does the word need a vowel pair?

- 5. Rewrite the word
- 6. Read the word:

Phonics Skills

Use the directions in the Spell It section to spell the following word.

1.	Season
2.	
3.	
4.	
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