



## List of words containing a-e and e-e

Words containing the vowel combination a-consonant-e and e-consonant-e are part of a group of words called magic e words. The purpose of the magic e, which occurs at the end of a word and stays silent (not pronounced), is to indicate that the previous vowel is pronounced with a long sound. For a-e words, consider the difference between *mad* (short vowel sound) and *made* (long vowel sound). For e-e words, consider the difference between *them* (short vowel sound) and *theme* (long vowel sound). One way to explain the silent magic e to your child is to say that this e jumps backward to the previous vowel and makes that vowel say its name. Most of the time, the silent magic e jumps backward over only one consonant to find the previous vowel. However, in a few words, it jumps backward over the blend *st* or the digraph *th*. For example, *waste*, *paste*, *bathe*.

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<b>a-e</b>				<b>e-e</b>
amaze*	estimate*	lane*	scale*	complete
ape	fade	late*	scrape*	eve
bake*	fate	lemonade*	shade*	extreme
base	flame*	made*	shake*	Pete*
baseball	Gabe*	make*	shame*	theme
basement*	gale*	male*	shape	these*
blade	game*	mane*	shave	
blame*	gate*	name*	snake*	
cake*	gave*	pale	take*	
cane*	gaze	paste	tale	
case*	glaze	Pete*	tape*	
cave*	grade	plane*	taste*	
cupcake*	grape*	plate*	vase*	
daze	grate	rake	wade	
drape	graze	safe*	waste*	
escape*	hate*	sale*	wave*	
	lake*	save*		