## Skill 6.3

## Vowel Team: ai, ay

In small-group intervention, we will learn to read and spell vowel team syllable words with the ai and ay patterns.

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| **Vowel Team Syllable** | A vowel team has two or more letters side by side that are pronounced as one vowel sound. |
| **Long Vowel a** | The letters:<br>• a and i represent the vowel sound /ā/, as in mail.<br>• a and y represent the vowel sound /ā/, as in hay. |

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| nail | say | tray | rain |
| way | snail | lay | sail |
| chain | clay | paid | spray |
| stay | wait | hay | pain |
| tail | day | grain | play |

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| in the rain | the mail is |
| to stay with | did not play |
| her pet snail | the red clay |
| will pay with | can braid her |
| on the train | will paint the |

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