



AT HOME SERIES
MORE VOWEL SPELLINGS



USA



NIGHTMARE HAIRCUT

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How to use this book

This book introduces the spellings **<air>**, **<are>**,
<ear>, **<ere>** and **<eir>** for the sound 'air'.

Check the reader knows these target spellings
before reading this book.

air

are

ear

ere

eir

Encourage the reader to read the words
by blending the sounds together from
left to right throughout the word.

Vocabulary

repair – to fix or mend something

despair – to feel very sad and without hope

The characters in this book are:

Liz



Tam



Reading Practice

air

air

fair

chair

stair

despair

are

bare

dare

share

glare

spare

ear

bear

pear

tear

wear

sweat

ere

there

where

eir

their



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Tam needs a haircut. Her hair is so long she cannot see where she is going! The ends dip in the paint when she is painting!



“I dare you to try cutting it,” says Liz.

“I’m scared!” says Tam.



Tam sits in a chair by a window so she can see well. She is very careful, but cutting her hair without help is scary!



“This is a nightmare! I’ll never be able to repair this!” wails Tam.
“There are even bare bits here and there!”



Liz has a plan.

“Don’t despair, Tam. I gave you a cap for your birthday. Maybe you can wear that until your hair grows back?”



Tam has a plan too. She cuts her hair again. This time it is very short. “At least this haircut is much better for painting,” she tells Liz with a grin.

Words for reading and sorting

Photocopy and cut into cards for reading and sorting, or use as a sorting activity with different colored counters for each sound.

air

are

ear

ere

eir

bare

dairy

their

scare

despair

pear

air

share

hair

rare

there

bear

fair

lair

stare

stair

pair

tear

glare

swear

hare

dare

nowhere

chair

where

fair

heir

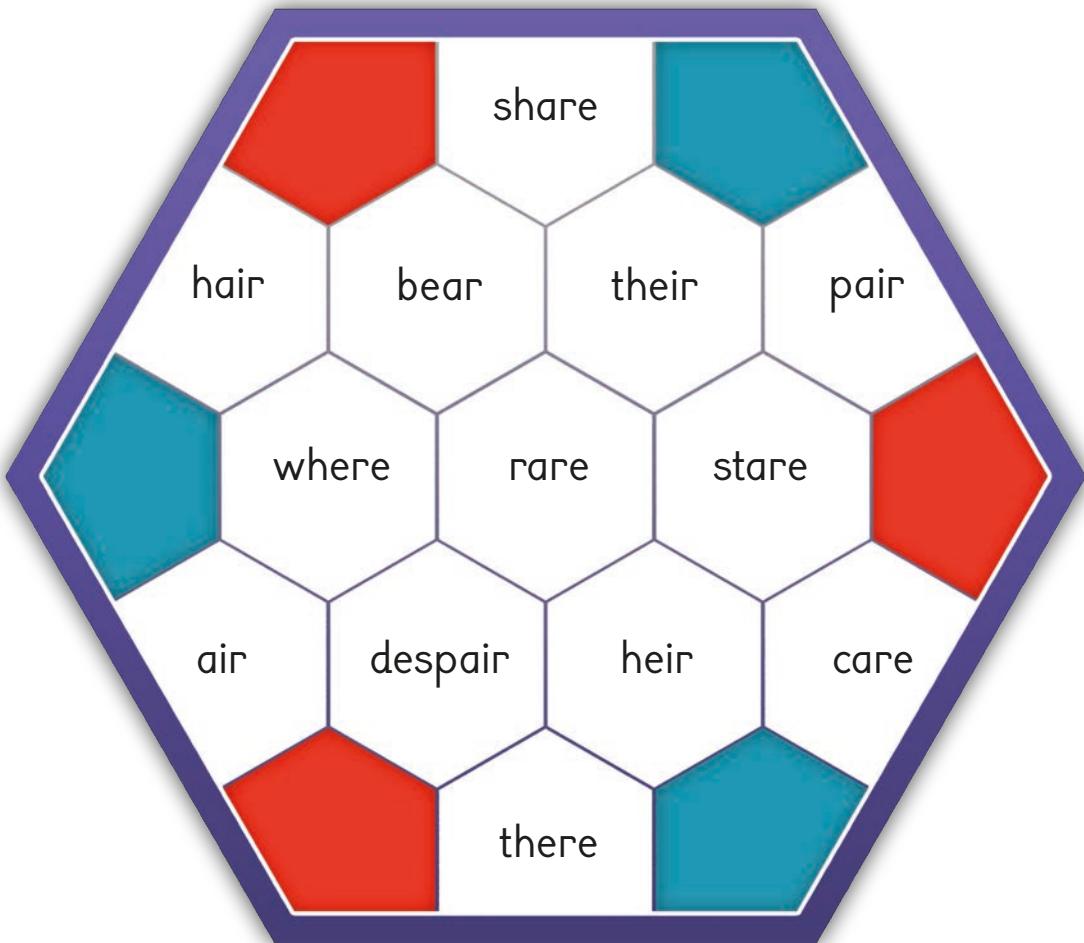
bear

wear

spare



JUMPING JACK GAME



This is a game for two players. Each player has three counters, each set a different color. Players choose to be Red or Blue and place one counter on each of their colors.

Players take turns to move a counter by sliding it into an adjacent space or by jumping over their opponent's counter into an empty space. When a player lands on a word, he/she must read the word aloud. The winner is the _____ player to get all three of his/her counters in a straight line.

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Tam's hair has got so long that it has started to get in her way. Liz persuades her to try cutting it herself, but the results are not what they anticipate!

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