

## Spelling list: Short /e/ spelled ea : set 1

The short /e/ sound is often spelled with *ea* , as in *head* or *bread* . Although *ea* includes two letters, it makes the same sound as the *e* in words like *bed* . From your list, examples like *meant* , *spread* , and *breath* all follow this pattern. Keep an eye out for *ea* words - soon you'll recognise them easily in both reading and spelling.

head	When it is cold I always wear a hat on my <b>head</b> .
dead	The <b>dead</b> are buried in a cemetery.
dread	I <b>dread</b> my next exam.
tread	Don't <b>tread</b> on my clean floor.
spread	<b>Spread</b> the bread with peanut butter.
thread	<b>Thread</b> can be made of cotton or nylon.
deaf	The baby was born blind and <b>deaf</b> .
death	His <b>death</b> caused terrible grief.
breath	Take a <b>breath</b> of fresh air.
health	Fruit juice is good for your <b>health</b> .
stealth	The enemy used <b>stealth</b> tactics to approach their target.
meant	I <b>meant</b> to call you but I forgot.
sweat	Jogging fast can make you <b>sweat</b> .
threat	The defeated army no longer poses a <b>threat</b> .
wealthy	The <b>wealthy</b> businessman had become a tycoon.