## Spelling list: Short /i/spelled y: set 1

The short /i/sound is a vowel sound commonly heard in words like sit, bin, and gym It is produced by positioning the tongue close to the front of the mouth, while the lips remain neutral. The vocal cords vibrate briefly, creating a clear and concise sound. This sound is different from the long /i/sound, as in tree, where the tongue is higher and the sound is extended.

In English, the short /i/ sound is often represented by the letter *i*. However, sometimes the letter *y* is used to spell the short /i/ sound instead. The *y* spelling is common in words of Greek origin.

These spelling activities will help you learn a range of words that spell short /i/ sound with the letter y.

gym Get fit by working out at the **gym**.

hymn Everyone joined in the **hymn** singing.

myth A **myth** is a story that may be untrue.

crypt The space underneath a church is a **crypt**.

calypso We sang and danced to **calypso** music.

crystal Diamonds are a type of **crystal**.

cygnet A **cygnet** is a young swan.

lyric The song has difficult lyrics.

mystery I love a **mystery** story!

oxygen The earth's atmosphere is one-fifth **oxygen**.

physics Physics is the study of matter and movement.

symbol This **symbol** means 'add': +.

symptom Sneezing is a **symptom** of hay fever.

syrup Who likes **syrup** on their cornflakes?

system Windows 8 is a computer **system**.

typical Mini skirts were **typical** 60s fashion.