## Objective

The student will identify variant correspondences in words.

## Materials

- Word cards

The digraphs used: ea, au, aw, ow, oa, ai, ay, ee.

## Activity

## Students identify and match vowel digraphs by playing a card game.

1. Place the word cards face down in a stack. Each student takes five cards from the stack. The remaining cards in the stack are the "lake."
2. Students check their cards for pairs of vowel digraphs. Read the words, identify the vowel sound and vowel digraph, and place the matching pairs down. For example, "I have peek and seed, they have the /e/ vowel sound that is spelled with 'ee'."
3. Student one asks for a word card that contains the same vowel digraph as one of the cards he is holding. For example, "Do you have a card that has an $/ \bar{a} /$ sound and is spelled with 'ai'?"
4. If yes, student two gives it to student one who reads both words and target sounds. Places match down. If no, student two says, "Go fishing for a digraph!" Whether or not a match is made, student selects enough cards from the stack so that he is holding a total of five cards.
5. Student two takes a turn.
6. Continue game until all cards are matched.
7. Peer evaluation


## Extensions and Adaptations

- Do an open sort with the word cards.

| bail | brain | waist |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| trail | wait | maintain |


| faint | grain | tray |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| clay | stay | bay |
|  |  |  |


| gray | jay | fray |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| may | sweep | speech |
|  |  |  |


| screen | weep | seed |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| peek | steel | teepee |
|  |  |  |


| beam | stream | dream |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cream | lean | bead |
|  |  |  |


| steal | real | vault |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| haunt | taught | cause |


| caught | Paul | maul |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| daunt | shawl | thaw |
|  |  |  |


| flaw | crawl | jaw |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| saw | grown | stow |


| shown | mow | glow |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| tow | sow | blow |


| roast | moat | coat |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| goat | boat | float |

