

**/ay/ as in rain***Usually in the middle of a word.***1** Circle the words with ai. 

pig

sun

snail

bed

aim

cat

dog

train

wait

mail

paint

sail

2 Read each word. Say the ay sound clearly.

rain

mail

pain

sail

paint

3 Trace the ai. Say /ay/ as you write.

ai

ai

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ai

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ai

**FOR THE GROWN-UP**

The ai spelling appears in the middle of words. Listen for the long /ay/ sound — same as the a in cake.