Long and Short Vowels "Go Fish" game

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This is a vowel sounds (long and short) Go Fish game, for help remembering vowel sounds and silent /e/.

I chose mostly words that contained the same letters except for the silent e (like mad/made, cub/cube, etc).

Preparation: Cut out the vowel square cards and mount them on colored cards that are slightly larger. (Lamination optional.) It makes the game pretty and kids really respond to bright colors.

Choosing cards for the lesson you are up to:

You can play with a subset of the cards, up to the lesson you have reached. For learners who need strict Hickey order, the spellings are introduced in the following lessons.

*Note: Reserve the two extra "Long e" family cards (feet, green) until lesson 35, then substitute them for two of the e-magic-e cards.

Vowel	Short vowel	Magic -e - Long vowel
i	Lesson 1	Lesson 13a
а	Lesson 2	Lesson 21
е	Lesson 5	Exception words with e-magic-e from lesson 5 on Lesson 35 ee
0	Lesson 23	Lesson 24
u	Lesson 26	Lesson 28

Play: Each vowel sound family has four words that contain the sound. The player asks for another card from a family in her hand by saying "do you have an 'uh' sound like in 'cub?" or "do you have a 'yoo' sound like in 'cube?" (In this game, the player reads the word with an example of the sound from the card he has in his hand; he doesn't ask for the other words in the family directly.)

If the other players don't have a member of the family, they say "Go Fish."

If they do, they have to hand over the requested card.

Happy playing!

cape	made	pane
ā	ā	ā
bake	Pete	here
ā	ē	ē
these	eve	bite
ē	ē	

hide	kite	chime
hope	robe	woke
Ō	Ō	Ō
note	cute	use
Ō	Ū	Ū

mute	cube	cap
ū	ū	ă
mad	pan	back
ă	ă	ă
pet	bed	leg
ĕ	ĕ	ĕ

set	chin	kit
ĕ	Ĭ	Ĭ
hid	bit	hop
Ĭ	Ĭ	Ŏ
not	on	rob
Ŏ	Ŏ	Ŏ

cub	us	mutt
ŭ	ŭ	ŭ
cut	feet	green
ŭ	ē	ē