

Spelling the sound /oi/ as in oil



There are two ways of spelling the sound /oi/ : **oi** and **oy**

Spelling rules for **oi** and **oy** in words of one syllable:



Use **oi** in the middle of a word, for example:
coin, choice

Use **oy** at the end of a word, for example:
boy, toy

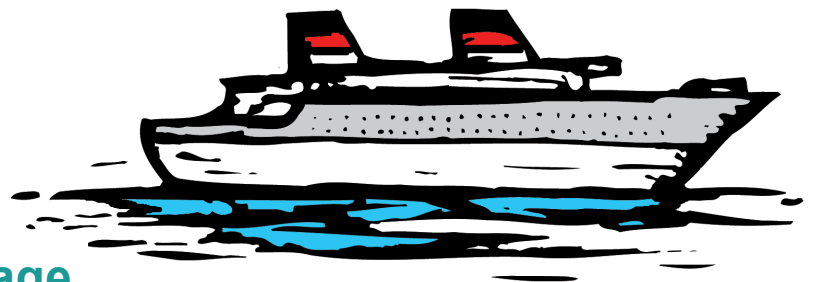


Spelling rules for **oi** and **oy** in longer words:



Use **oi** in the middle of a syllable, for example:
avoid, moisture, poisonous

Use **oy** at the end of a word or before a vowel:
annoy, destroy, loyal, voyage



For more on this spelling rule, please see **Spellzone** Unit 16, where you will find complete spelling lesson plans, extensive word lists, practice exercises, spelling tests and spelling games for **oi/oy**.

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