

## LESSON 93

*Review the material from the previous lessons using the sound-letter deck, the high-frequency word deck, and the whiteboards.*

***New material:*** *i* making the long “e” sound in the middle of words as in “medium”

Explain to the student: “We have discussed how schwa vowels are pronounced, with an ‘uh’ sound or ‘ih’ sound. But guess what is even crazier? In the middle of words, *i* often makes the long ‘e’ sound. Why should ‘video’ be spelled with an *e*, and ‘radio’ be spelled with an *i*? If there is an answer, I don’t know it! But there are many words where *i* makes the long ‘e’ sound.”

*Words to read and write:*

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*Introduce the new high-frequency words you have written onto flashcards. Have the student write the high-frequency words three times while pronouncing the words:*

**aunt, cousin<sup>1</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> **aunt:** **au** making the short “a” or “ah” sound is irregular (some speakers pronounce “aunt” like “ant” and others pronounce “aunt” like “ahnt”); the other letters are decodable  
**cousin:** **c** is decodable; **ou** making the “uh” sound is irregular; **sin** is decodable

*Have the student read:*

**Lydia looked radiant with happiness on her wedding day.**

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**The rude man was boasting and grandstanding. He did not seem intimidating, just idiotic.**

**My cousin Frank is a librarian. Stan asked me if Frank liked books, and I said, “Well, sure, he does! Frank loves books, which is why he became Indiana’s finest librarian!”**

**The wedding was outside on a patio, but there was a tent for cover in case it rained.**

*Have the student write from your dictation:*

My cousin Sal was in the stickiest mess. He had agreed to take his buddies to the casino but had also volunteered to help my aunt paint her dining room this weekend. He would have to explain his thinking to someone.

Adrian reserved a taxi for the big event.

His aunt has a job in media. She covers sports for the evening news.

*Choose any of the stories in [Group 8 \(“Y” as a Vowel Stories\)](#), [Group 7 \(Consonant-le Stories\)](#), [Group 6 \(Snow, Cow, Cloud Stories\)](#), or [Group 5 \(R-Controlled Stories\)](#) for a “triple read.”*

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