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| http://blog.everythingdinosaur.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/diplodocus.jpg  **Long and short a sound sort**  Sometimes it’s helpful to say that short sounds are short and bouncy, and to make a bouncing ball action as you say them; while long sounds can be stretched, exaggerating the sound slightly, whilst making a stretching elastic kind of movement.  **Cut this top row off before you give the sort to pupils!** | | |
| long vowel | | Happy Hopperz Dino - 12+ Months Larger Toddler, Green  short  vowel |
| Sort by long or short sound – helps children to look for the single short a grapheme or to see it in combination with other letters to make a digraph with a long sound. |  |
| cat | cape | rain |
| cake | play | eight |
| they | vain | straight |
| vein | great | at |
| rat | chat | mad |
| acorn | plate | train |
| tray | weight | maze |
| paint | day | crayon |
| sleigh | grey | rag |
| ant | animal | alphabet |
| apple | attic | dad |
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