Blast Off!

Before starting the game review the “long a” vowel patterns: a-e, ai, and ay.

Game Directions:
• Roll the dice.
• Move the correct number of spaces on the gameboard.
• Have the player identify the picture and state the “long a” vowel pattern of the word: a-e, ai or ay.
• Write the word under the correct column on the writing sort sheet.
• Continue playing until a player reaches the moon.
• After the game is finished, have students check their writing sorts (e.g., read down the columns to make sure each word is in the correct column).

Variation:
• Have students write the words without the support of the writing sort headers.
10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 ...
BLAST OFF!
YEAH! You are almost to the moon. Go ahead 2 spaces.

Flying is hard work. Go back 3 spaces.

Off!

You made it!