Long a Vowel Patterns in Accented Syllables

Long a Patterns: | Accented First Syllables: | Accented Second Syllables:
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ai: complaint | rain/bow | ob/tain
ay: crayon | day/light | dis/play
aCe: baseball | brace/let | em/brace
open a: April | la/bel | po/ta/to

Unsure which syllable is accented?

1. Place the top of your hand gently under your chin. When you say a word, you will feel your chin slightly drop down on the accented syllable.
2. Consult a dictionary.