

Syllable Division & Decoding

A long word only looks intimidating as one solid block. Part 1 (pages 2-4) practices where to split, from the how-to-teach-syllable-division guide. Part 2 (pages 5-7) practices decoding whole multisyllable words, from the decoding-multisyllabic-words guide.

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How to use this worksheet

- 1 Part 1: the word is already split into two red chunks with a / between them. Read each chunk, then write the whole blended word on the line.
- 2 Part 2: the word is shown whole. Find the vowels, split it into syllables in your head, then write it on the line.
- 3 Work through one rule or level at a time — don't mix levels until each one feels automatic.
- 4 Check your spelling against the printed word once you're done.

Example — this is what a correct answer looks like:

rabbit rabb*i*t

Tip

Teach the 4-step method alongside this: circle the vowels, identify the syllable type, split and decode each part, then blend and check.



VC/CV — Split Between the Consonants

Two consonants sit between two vowels — split right between them.

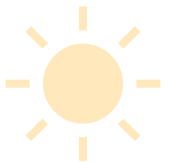
rab/bit _____

nap/kin _____

hap/pen _____

sud/den _____

bas/ket _____



V/CV — Split Before a Single Consonant

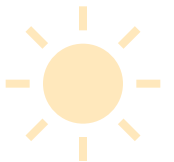
One consonant between two vowels — try splitting before it first (open syllable, long vowel).

ti/ger _____

mu/sic _____

ba/con _____

pa/per _____



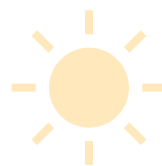
VCCCV — Keep the Blend Together

Three consonants with a blend among them — split so the blend stays intact.

con/struct _____

com/plete _____

ex/plain _____



Beginner — Two Closed Syllables — Write & Read

Circle the vowels, split into syllables in your head, then write the word.

sunset _____

rabbit _____

mitten _____

kitten _____

button _____

picnic _____

cactus _____

basket _____

helmet _____

puppet _____

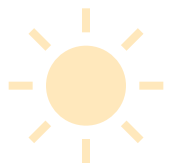
napkin _____

dentist _____

plastic _____

signal _____

until _____



Intermediate — Open and Closed Mix — Write & Read

Circle the vowels, split into syllables in your head, then write the word.

t-iger _____

r-obot _____

m-usic _____

b-aby _____

p-ilot _____

p-aper _____

over _____

open _____

moment _____

recent _____

l-abel _____

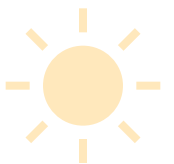
future _____

silent _____

r-aven _____

f-avor _____

s-uper _____



Advanced — Three or More Syllables — Write & Read

Circle the vowels, split into syllables in your head, then write the word.

fantastic _____

remember _____

umbrella _____

November _____

tomato _____

together _____

important _____

consider _____

continue _____

connection _____

adventure _____

invention _____

depending _____

