

SYLLABLE TYPES

EXACT TEKS WORDING (FROM TEA)

“demonstrate and apply spelling knowledge by spelling multisyllabic words with closed syllables; open syllables; VCe syllables; vowel teams, including digraphs and diphthongs; r-controlled syllables; and final stable syllables”

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO ME?

When I see a vowel followed by a consonant, the vowel says its short sound.

A closed syllable is one vowel closed in by a consonant, so I try the short sound first.

When I can name the vowel and the consonant, I can prove how to read and spell the word.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Closed Syllables

from “The Recess Question”

A closed syllable is one vowel followed by a consonant, so the vowel says its short sound, as in map, stop, and cup. This week we learn to notice, choose, show, own, and defend the rule.

This deck teaches **syllable types** across the five RPLD thinking levels:

NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.



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TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice a closed syllable."

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Notice the closed syllable.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the bold word and the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.

"Sam held the **map and the small tin cup."**

I CAN

I can notice a closed syllable and name the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.



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CHOOSE

"I can choose a closed syllable."

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Choose the closed syllable.

Read the sentence. Which word is a closed syllable? Use the rule.

"It was the **best** part of the day, and it was not even third period yet."

A part • **B** best • **C** day

I CAN | I can choose the closed syllable and explain how I know.



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SHOW

“I can show how a closed syllable works.”

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Show the closed syllable.

Read the sentence. In the bold word, name the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.

“The sun felt hot, but the kids did not **stop.”**

I CAN | I can show the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.



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OWN

“I can use the closed syllable rule to read a longer word.”

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Own it. Read the longer word.

Split the word into its parts. Name the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.

rabbit
rab / bit

I CAN | I can use the closed syllable rule to read a longer word.



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DEFEND

"I can prove that a word has a closed syllable."

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Defend the rule.

Prove the bold word follows the rule. Name the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.

"Kim said, we must get past the long jump line and **hop** to the end."

I CAN | I can prove that a word has a closed syllable.



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Find a closed syllable on your own.

Go back to the passage. Find one closed syllable. Copy the sentence and name the vowel, the consonant, and the short sound.

Go back to the reading.

Find one closed syllable.

**Copy the exact sentence. Then name the vowel, the consonant,
and the short sound.**

I CAN | I can find a closed syllable and prove it.



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Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE **Map** has one vowel, a, followed by the consonant p, so the a says its short sound. A closed syllable is one vowel closed in by a consonant.

CHOOSE **B.** best. Best has one vowel, e, followed by consonants, so the e says its short sound. Part has the r-controlled vowel ar, and day has the vowel team ay, so neither is a closed syllable.

SHOW **stop.** Stop has one vowel, o, followed by the consonant p, so the o says its short sound. The consonant closes the vowel in, which is why the syllable is closed.

OWN **rab / bit.** Both syllables are closed. Rab has one vowel, a, followed by b. Bit has one vowel, i, followed by t. Cover each syllable, say the short vowel, and blend the word.

DEFEND **hop.** Hop has one vowel, o, followed by the consonant p, so the o says its short sound. A closed syllable ends in a consonant that closes in the vowel.

YOUR TURN **sun.** Sun has one vowel, u, followed by the consonant n, so the u says its short sound.



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READ THIS PASSAGE EXCERPT.

“Sam held the map and the small tin cup. ... They clapped and spun around the flag, and the game went on. ... Sam felt glad that his team had won.”

Which word from the reading has a closed syllable?

A game

B team

C cup

D line



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The answer is C.

A game

Game is a VCe syllable. The silent e makes the a say its long name.

B team

Team has the vowel team ea. Two vowels work together for one sound.

C cup Correct.

Cup has one vowel, u, followed by p, so the u says its short sound.

D line

Line is a VCe syllable. The silent e makes the i say its long name.

