

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 add -s, the base word keeps its syllable pattern.

When I add -es after sh, ch, x, s, or z, I add a whole new syllable.

When I can find the base word and the ending, I can read and spell the plural.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Plurals -s and -es

from “The Pilgrims Chose Plymouth”

Plurals with -s and -es keep the base word's syllable pattern. Adding -es after sh, ch, x, or s adds a syllable, as in wish-es and box-es. This week we study plurals from the Pilgrims reading.

This deck teaches **the plural spelling pattern** across the five RPLD thinking levels:

NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.

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Introduce the Week

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“ ” = say word-for-word • ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

“This week we are studying syllable types. Our focus is plural word syllables. When you add -s or -es to a base word, the base keeps its syllable pattern. Adding -es after sh, ch, x, or s adds a syllable.”

▶ Show the cover. Read the exact TEKS wording aloud, then read the What does this mean to me box in your own warm voice.

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▶ Point to the five thinking levels. Preview the week: we NOTICE, CHOOSE, SHOW, OWN, and DEFEND the pattern.

PREP & MATERIALS: the Closed Syllables slide deck for Cluster 1 Module 2 . a class or student copy of "The Pilgrims Chose Plymouth" . the student tracking sheet . pencils

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to name one plural word from the reading and tell how they know.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student how reading the word would change if the plural word pattern were different.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice a plural word."

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Notice the plural word.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the bold word and the base word and the -s or -es ending.

"The Pilgrims traveled on ships across the sea."

I CAN | I can notice a plural word and name the base word and the -s or -es ending.

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Monday · NOTICE · Foundational

~4 min

" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Today's thinking job is NOTICE. I can notice a plural word syllable."

▶ Read the I can statement aloud, then the task on the slide.

"Listen as I read the sentence. I am looking for the plural word syllable in ships."

▶ Read the sentence aloud twice. Give think time, then have students copy the word on the NOTICE row of the tracking sheet.

ANSWER KEY: ships. Ship is a closed syllable with the short i. Adding -s makes it plural but does not add a syllable.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to explain the plural word syllable in their own words.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may not identify the base word and the -s or -es ending. Guide them to the pattern.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

How do I know it is a plural word syllable? Look for the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

NOTICE at Foundational is about finding the plural word syllable. Keep the demand at this level.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student what the word would sound like without the plural word pattern.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

CHOOSE

"I can choose a plural word."

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Choose the plural word.

Read the sentence. Which word is a plural word? Use the rule.

"They built **homes** and grew **crops** to feed their families."

A built • **B** crops • **C** grew

I CAN | I can choose the plural word and explain how I know.

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Tuesday · CHOOSE · Developing

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" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Today's thinking job is **CHOOSE**. I can choose a word with a plural word syllable."

▶ Read the I can statement aloud, then the task on the slide.

"Read the sentence and all three choices. Only one word has the plural word pattern."

▶ Have students choose privately, then share with a partner before you reveal the answer on slide 8.

ANSWER KEY: B. crops. Crops is the base word crop plus -s. The base is a closed syllable. Built is past tense, not a plural, and grew is not a plural.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to name the base word and the -s or -es ending in the answer.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may choose by ear. Use the rule to check the base word and the -s or -es ending.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Two words seem close. How do I pick? Check for the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

CHOOSE at Developing is about selecting the word the rule fits. Keep the demand at this level.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student to find another plural word syllable in the sentence.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

SHOW

"I can show how a plural word works."

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Show the plural word.

Read the sentence. In the bold word, name the base word and the -s or -es ending.

"The Pilgrims packed their tools in **boxes."**

I CAN | I can show the base word and the -s or -es ending.

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Wednesday · SHOW · Independent

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" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Today's thinking job is SHOW. I can show how a plural word syllable works."

▶ Read the I can statement aloud, then the task on the slide.

"The bold word is boxes. Name the base word and the -s or -es ending."

▶ Take two or three answers. Push students to name all the parts.

ANSWER KEY: boxes. Box is a closed syllable. Adding -es after the x gives box-es, two syllables. The -es adds the extra syllable because the base ends in x.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to point to the base word and the -s or -es ending in the word.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may name only part of the pattern. Require all parts.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Can a word have more than one plural word syllable? Yes, a longer word can.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

SHOW at Independent is about explaining how the rule works. Keep the demand at this level.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student what would change if the pattern were different.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

OWN

"I can split a plural to find the base word."

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Own it. Read the longer word.

Split the word into its parts. Name the base word and the -s or -es ending.

benches
bench / es

I CAN | I can split a plural to find the base word.

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Thursday · OWN · Advanced

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" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Today's thinking job is OWN. I can split a plural to find the base word."

▶ Read the I can statement aloud, then the task on the slide.

"Benches is a longer word. Split it and read each syllable."

▶ Model the cover-and-read once, then have students split the word on the OWN row of the tracking sheet.

ANSWER KEY: bench / es. Bench is a closed syllable. Adding -es after ch gives bench-es, two syllables.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to name each syllable in benches and its type.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may read the first syllable with the wrong vowel sound. Guide them to the pattern.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

How do I know where to split the word? Look for the syllable boundary.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

OWN at Advanced is about using the rule inside a longer word. Keep the demand at this level.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student to apply the rule to another longer word.

TODAY'S THINKING JOB

DEFEND

"I can prove that a word is a plural."

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Defend the rule.

Prove the bold word follows the rule. Name the base word and the -s or -es ending.

"The Pilgrims shared their **meals** with the neighbors."

I CAN | I can prove that a word is a plural.

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Friday · DEFEND · Reflective

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" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Today's thinking job is DEFEND. I can prove that a word is a plural."

▶ Read the I can statement aloud, then the task on the slide.

"For meals, name the base word and the -s or -es ending and prove it."

▶ Have students write a because statement on the DEFEND row, then share two strong answers.

ANSWER KEY: meals. Meal has the vowel team ea. Adding -s makes it plural. The vowel team stays the same, and -s does not add a syllable.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to explain how they proved meals follows the rule.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may name the whole word instead of the base word and the -s or -es ending. Require all parts.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Is every word with this pattern plural word? Yes, if it has the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

DEFEND at Reflective is about proving the rule. Keep the demand at this level.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student to defend why another word in the sentence is NOT a plural word syllable.

Find a plural word on your own.

Go back to the passage. Find one plural word. Copy the sentence and name the base word and the -s or -es ending.

**Go back to the reading.
Find one plural word.
Copy the exact sentence. Then name the base word and the -s
or -es ending.**

I CAN | I can find a plural word and prove it.

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Independent Practice · YOUR TURN

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“ ” = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

“Now it is your turn to find a plural word syllable on your own.”

▶ Read the Your Turn task. Students work independently on the tracking sheet.

“Copy the exact sentence. Then name the base word and the -s or -es ending.”

▶ Circulate and note who can name all the parts without help.

ANSWER KEY: maps. Map is a closed syllable. Adding -s makes it plural without adding a syllable.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Scan for students who name the base word and the -s or -es ending together.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may write a word without naming all the parts. Require the base word and the -s or -es ending.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

What if my word has more than one syllable? Pick the syllable that is plural word and prove it.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

Independent practice shows who owns the rule. Look for the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask an early finisher to check their word by reading it aloud.

Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE ships. Ship is a closed syllable with the short i. Adding -s makes it plural but does not add a syllable.

CHOOSE B. crops. Crops is the base word crop plus -s. The base is a closed syllable. Built is past tense, not a plural, and grew is not a plural.

SHOW boxes. Box is a closed syllable. Adding -es after the x gives box-es, two syllables. The -es adds the extra syllable because the base ends in x.

OWN bench / es. Bench is a closed syllable. Adding -es after ch gives bench-es, two syllables.

DEFEND meals. Meal has the vowel team ea. Adding -s makes it plural. The vowel team stays the same, and -s does not add a syllable.

YOUR TURN maps. Map is a closed syllable. Adding -s makes it plural without adding a syllable.

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Review the Answers

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“ ” = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

“Let's check our work across the five thinking levels.”

▶ Reveal the answer slide one row at a time. Have students check their own tracking sheets.

“If you missed one, that is where your learning is. Go back to the word and find the pattern.”

▶ Celebrate students who explained the rule, not only students who named the word.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Students can explain the rule, not just name the word.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Naming the word without the base word and the -s or -es ending. Ask how and why for at least two answers.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Why not just memorize the list? Because readers meet new words in books and tests, and the rule reads them.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

Reviewing is where OWN turns into DEFEND. Push for the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student to explain what would change if the syllable type were different.

READ THIS PASSAGE EXCERPT.

“The Pilgrims traveled on ships. ... They grew crops and shared meals. ... They packed tools in boxes.”

Which plural word adds a syllable with -es?

A boxes

B ships

C crops

D meals

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Show What You Know

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“ ” = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

“Here is a test-style question, the kind you see on the state assessment.”

▶ Read the excerpt and the question aloud.

“Read all four choices before you decide. The best answer is the one the rule fits.”

▶ Give think time. Students choose privately and bubble their letter on the tracking sheet.

ANSWER KEY: The answer is A.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Students choose by the rule, not by which word looks familiar.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Choosing by guess or by a word they like. Check the pattern in each choice.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Two answers seem close. How do I pick? Check for the base word and the -s or -es ending.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

A clean test item is DEFEND in action under assessment conditions.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask why each wrong choice is wrong, which leads into the next slide.

The answer is A.

A boxes **Correct.**
Boxes is box plus -es. The -es adds a syllable because the base ends in x.

B ships
Ships is ship plus -s. The -s does not add a syllable.

C crops
Crops is crop plus -s. The -s does not add a syllable.

D meals
Meals is meal plus -s. The -s does not add a syllable.

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The Answer, and Why

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"The correct answer is A. The most important part is understanding why."

▶ Reveal each choice's reason. Spend the most time on the wrong answers.

"Each wrong choice is a real word from the reading, but it does not fit the pattern."

▶ Have students write one sentence on the tracking sheet explaining why the correct answer is right.

CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Students can explain why the correct word fits the rule.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Knowing the answer but not why. Insist on the reason.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

Why is the second choice wrong? Because it has a different syllable type.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

Explaining the distractors is the highest DEFEND move of the week.

RAISE THE THINKING

Ask a student to write a new sentence using a plural word syllable word and prove the rule.