

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 find the base word, I can figure out the meaning of the whole word.

Prefixes go before the base and suffixes go after it.

When I can name the base and the parts added to it, I can read the word.

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Base Word Building

from “The Fifth-Grade Cookie Commission”

This week we review base word building using words from "The Fifth-Grade Cookie Commission." We find the base word and the parts added to it.

This deck teaches **base word building** across the five RPLD thinking levels:

NOTICE → CHOOSE → SHOW → OWN → DEFEND.



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TODAY'S THINKING JOB

NOTICE

"I can notice a base word with parts."

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Notice the base word with parts.

Read this sentence from the passage. Find the bold word and the base word and the parts added to it.

"Principal Bennett walked into Mrs. Delgado's classroom carrying a clipboard."

I CAN

I can notice a base word with parts and name the base word and the parts added to it.



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CHOOSE

"I can choose a base word with parts."

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Choose the base word with parts.

Read the sentence. Which word is a base word with parts? Use the rule.

"The room **exploded** with **questions** about the new challenge."

A questions • **B** room • **C** exploded

I CAN | I can choose the base word with parts and explain how I know.



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SHOW

“I can show how a base word with parts works.”

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Show the base word with parts.

Read the sentence. In the bold word, name the base word and the parts added to it.

“You surveyed students, Principal Bennett corrected.”

I CAN | I can show the base word and the parts added to it.



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OWN

“I can find the base and its parts to read the word.”

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Own it. Read the longer word.

Split the word into its parts. Name the base word and the parts added to it.

uncomfortable
un / com / fort / a / ble

I CAN | I can find the base and its parts to read the word.



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DEFEND

"I can prove the base word inside a longer word."

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Defend the rule.

Prove the bold word follows the rule. Name the base word and the parts added to it.

"Can we **abolish** raisins, one student asked."

I CAN

I can prove the base word inside a longer word.



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Find a base word with parts on your own.

Go back to the passage. Find one base word with parts. Copy the sentence and name the base word and the parts added to it.

Go back to the reading.

Find one base word with parts.

Copy the exact sentence. Then name the base word and the parts added to it.

I CAN | I can find a base word with parts and prove it.



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Answers, across the five thinking levels.

NOTICE clipboard. This is a compound word built from two base words: clip and board. A clipboard is a board with a clip on it. Each base word keeps its own meaning.

CHOOSE C. exploded. The base word is explode. The suffix -ed adds past tense. The silent e is dropped before adding -ed. Questions has the base quest plus -ion and -s, but exploded shows the clearest base-plus-ending pattern.

SHOW surveyed. The base word is survey. The suffix -ed adds past tense. Survey keeps its spelling when -ed is added. The base means to collect information.

OWN un / com / fort / a / ble. The base word is comfort. The prefix un- means not. The suffix -able means able to be. Uncomfortable means not able to be comfortable.

DEFEND abolish. This word does not have a separable prefix or suffix in modern English. It is a single base word meaning to end or do away with. Not every long word is built from parts.

YOUR TURN dessert. Dessert is a base word. It does not have a prefix or suffix. Sometimes you just have to learn the base word as a whole.

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READ THIS PASSAGE EXCERPT.

“Principal Bennett walked in carrying a clipboard. ... You surveyed students. ... Can we abolish raisins?”

Which word is built from a base word plus a suffix?

A clipboard

B raisins

C surveyed

D challenge



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The answer is C.

A clipboard

Clipboard is a compound word (clip + board), not a base word with a suffix.

B raisins

Raisin is the base word. The -s is a plural marker, not a suffix that changes meaning.

C surveyed Correct.

Survey is the base word. The suffix -ed adds past tense.

D challenge

Challenge is a base word without a suffix in this sentence.

