

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Dividing Into Syllables |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Predicting, Sentence Builders |

Materials:

Activity at end of the lesson plan

White Boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

State the objective

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- Practice Reciprocal Teaching (predicting, clarifying, questioning, and summarizing).
- Work on being proficient at the conventions of writing which include capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence types, and grammar.

Gain prior knowledge by asking students the following questions

What are some of the strategies that you utilize to uncover the meaning of unfamiliar words?

What is the importance of asking questions to strengthen your understanding of what you have read?

Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this?

What are the guidelines for dividing words into syllables? Make a list of 10 words, 3 syllables or more. Divide the words into syllables. What do you know about building a sentence? What does it take to build a sentence of 7-10 words? Write several sentences on the board or a chart. Divide the sentences into subjects and predicates.

Content (the "Meat")

Fluency

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- 2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
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- 4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan.
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- 6. Celebrate success.
- 7. Students should stay on the same passage level for 4-6 weeks and then transition students to the next level.

Fluency Activity of the Day

Musical Shares: Have students stand up and walk around reading the passage that they are working on until the music stops. Students should pair up and read the next 2 sentences to the partner they find. Repeat as students practice.

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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Dividing Into Syllables

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a Dividing Into Syllables Game board and Word Bank.
- 3. Working together, pair places each word in the Word Bank on the game board, writing the word by syllables.
- 4. When pair is finished they should compare their game board with another pair.

Reciprocal Teaching

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Check in about what is happening and what they are thinking.

Take advantage of any teachable moments.

Stop the class and focus on a student's key learning or understanding. Ask openended questions to determine what the rest of the group is thinking.

Activity

Predicting

Three Words: share with students the topic for the day. Ask students to think about what



they think will be shared in the materials that they will read. Ask a student to read the title of the material. Choose one word from the title. Write that word on the board or a piece of chart paper. Ask students to look at the picture. Choose one word that the picture brings to mind and write that word on the board. Finally, Give students a copy of the text and ask them to randomly select one word from the text and write that one on the board as well. The students will then work in pairs and using those three words will write a description of what they believe the story will be about.

Conventions

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Sentence Builder

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For the next two days, students will create sentences and share those sentences with one another.

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Sentence Builder

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- 5. Students create the sentence.
- 6. Students must roll the dice a minimum of 12 times.
- 7. When pairs are finished, they should share their sentences with another pair.

Closing Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?

Debrief

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- Share 3 things you like about today's lesson.
- Share 2 questions you have that were not answered.
- Share 1 thing that you will use tomorrow that you practiced today.



Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

- 1. Ask students to think about what they did today.
- 2. Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
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3rd Grade Dividing Into Syllables Game Board

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3rd Grade Dividing Into Syllables Word Bank

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Independent Timed Reading: Have students work in pairs and use a three minute egg timer or look at the clock to keep time. As the first student begins to read the passage, the partner either turns over the egg timer or begins watching the clock. At the end of 2 minutes (if students are watching a clock, or three minutes is using the egg timer, the partner calls "Stop" and the number of words are counted. Process is repeated for the other students. Students record the number of words read on their reading chart.

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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Before dividing a word into syllables, look to see if the word ends in "ed". If the word ends in "ed" ask yourself what you hear. Do you hear a "t" sound? Do you hear an "ed" sound (like a person's name—Ed)? Do you hear only a "d" sound? If you hear the "ed" sound, you will divide the word into syllable, having the ed create its own syllable.

T, D, or ED

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a T, D, or ED game board and word bank.
- 3. Working together, pair determines which column the word goes into and then writes the word by syllables in that column.
- 4. When pair is finished, they should compare with another pair.

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Activity

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Stop the class and focus on a student's key learning or understanding. Ask openended questions to determine what the rest of the group is thinking.



Clarifying:

Silly Questions: Partner students to create silly questions from the interesting words that they have selected. Ask students to join two words, in other words make a silly question or sentence utilizing two of the words. For example, if the words are adder, hermit, waterfall, bat, cave, and bridge, a silly sentence/questions would be, "Can an adder be a hermit? Will a bat fly through a waterfall? Is there a cave under the bridge?

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| Closing |
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| Review |

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?

Debrief

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- **D**: Describe one of the ELA activities that we did today.
- **I**: Interpret that activity to your own experience and your own school work.
- **G**: Generalize how the information you learned today will help you in school tomorrow and in your life.
- A: Make a commitment to apply the learning within the next 48 hours.

Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

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3rd Grade T, D or ED Game Board

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3rd Grade T, D or ED Word Bank

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| Lesson Title: | Consonant Plus le |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Predicting and Run-on Sentences |

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What are some of the rules that will help you divide words into syllables? What must be in every syllable? Can a vowel be a syllable by itself? What is a run-on sentence? What do you need to d with a run-on sentence to make it be clearer to the person who is reading or speaking?

Content (the "Meat")

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Partner Share: Partner two students that are working on the same passage. Have them read aloud to each other, trading off each sentence. They can then provide feedback to one another on rate, phrasing, and expression.

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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Before dividing words into syllables check to see if the word ends in a consonant + le. The consonant + le forms the final syllable in the word. There is one exception and that is words that end in ck before the le ending. If the word follows this pattern, divide the word after the ck.

Consonant + le

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a set of Consonant + le cards.
- 3. Shuffle the deck and place face down between the players.
- 4. Player 1 draws a card and tells how to divide the word into syllables.
- 5. Player 2 continues in the same way.

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Activity

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Take advantage of any teachable moments.

Stop the class and focus on a student's key learning or understanding. Ask openended questions to determine what the rest of the group is thinking.



One-Minute Predictions: Provide students pairs with a library book (one that they have not read). Give them one minute to make a prediction about the story based on the title, front and back covers, and illustrations. Students share their predictions with another pair. Repeat this with two additional pairings.

Conventions

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Run-On Sentences

A run-on sentence combines two or more thoughts or ideas that would best stand alone. Sometimes run-on sentences are created by connecting your thoughts with the word "and" which allows the sentence to continue on and on. Certainly not every sentence with the conjunction and in it is a run-on sentence. As the writer of the sentence the questions are: How many thoughts in this sentence? Is the sentence long and awkward to read and make sense of? Could I make this easier to understand if I wrote several smaller sentences instead of this one long, run-on sentence?

Put the following run-on sentence on the board or chart. The birthday cake was decorated in yellow flowers and we had yellow hats and streamers to decorate the table and we had invited 14 friends to the party.

Go through the process of asking the questions and then rewrite, making changes to make meaning easier for the reader.

Run-On Sentences

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a Run-On Sentence card and white boards.
- 3. Ask them to read the Run-on Sentence Card, ask themselves the questions and then rewrite the sentence into smaller units as appropriate.
- 4. When finished pair should share with another pair.

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Closing

Review

Say:

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Debrief

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Have students share what they like best about today's ELA activities and list that under the heading: LB or Liked Best Have students share what they would want more of next time during the ELA activities and list that under the heading of NT or Next Time.



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3rd Grade Consonant + le

| able | pickle | eagle |
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| tumble | fumble | rubble |
| purple | fumble | little |
| stumble | idle | apple |
| bumble | cycle | handle |
| recycle | bumble | turtle |
| rumble | bubble | eagle |
| fiddle | middle | shamble |
| amble | sample | trouble |



3rd Grade Run-On Sentence Card

Jorge and Martin are going to spruce up the backyard and they went to the store to buy some bedding plants, flowers, and fertilizer and then they borrowed a truck to take all of the things to the house and unloaded everything and now they are hard at work in the back yard preparing the soil and planting.

Jill saw a dog walking along the sidewalk without its owner and she became very concerned and she called to the dog so she could read its collar but it did not have any tag on the collar and Jill went inside and looked in the newspaper to see if someone had lost a dog and sure enough there was a lost do advertisement and so Jill called the number to let the owner know where he could find his dog and Jill was very happy.

Jack and Jill were going on a walk near their house and they saw a hill nearby and they decided it would be fun to walk up the hill and so they did and stopped at the top of the hill to check out the old well that we there and then decided it was time to go home as they were getting tired and so they started down the hill and Jack tripped and fell down and started rolling and Jill tripped over Jack and did exactly the same and they weren't hurt thank goodness.



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| Lesson Title: | VC VC Syllables |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Predicting, and Subjects of Sentences |

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What do you know about dividing words into syllables? What are some of the guidelines that define the division of words into syllables? How would you divide the word terrific? How about reasonable? What are some of the words that make up the subject of a sentence? Can a subject be only one word? Give an example of a sentence with a one word subject. Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this? What do you do to make spelling easier? What are some "rules" about spelling that you use? What are some of the spelling patterns that you know about?

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Fluency Test—Read 1 minute and count # of words read. Record the total on a personal chart. A suggestion would be to have a stamp or chart on the front of the student's vocabulary notebook and have them write the total words read on the chart.

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vc/cv

This stands for vowel-consonant-consonant-vowel. **Example**: letter would be divided as let/ter.

Have students give you several examples of words that have double consonants in the middle. The doubles may be the same letter or another combination of letters. **Exceptions** to this pattern would be words with digraphs in the middle such as in the word mother. The syllable is divided after the digraph as the "th" act as one sound.

VC/CV Syllable Division

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a deck of Syllable Division Cards, scissors, construction paper and a glue stick.
- 3. Working together, students determine how the word will be divided, and then cut the word apart at the dividing point.
- 4. Students then paste the syllables of the word onto the construction paper.
- 5. When pairs are finished they should share their paper with another pair.

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Activity

Predicting

Find the Evidence: On chart paper, write these two heading: predictions and Evidence. Use a different colored marker for each column. List several predications. As you begin to read the material, ask students to look for evidence of their predictions. For example, if the prediction is, "There is a sad and lonely duck," the evidence might be, "The duck always walked alone."

Conventions

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<u>Cats</u> meow. <u>Dogs</u> bark. <u>John</u> jumped. Sometimes the subject will have a number of words: <u>The orange and white cats</u> meow. <u>The furry, black dogs</u> bark. <u>Athletic John</u> jumped.

One of the ways that we indicate which part of a sentence is the subject is to underline it one time. Have students share several sentences. Write them on the white board or chart. Ask students to identify the subject of each sentence and underline it one time. If students give you single word subjects, ask them to expand the subject by adding adjectives.

Subjects

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs and give each pair a die and a white board.
- 2. Working together, pair rolls the dice.
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- **D**: Describe one of the ELA activities that we did today.
- **I:** Interpret that activity to your own experience and your own school work.
- **G**: Generalize how the information you learned today will help you in school tomorrow and in your life.
- **A:** Make a commitment to apply the learning within the next 48 hours.

Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

- 1. Ask students to think about what they did today.
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3rd Grade Syllables VC/CV Pattern

| hubcaps | mirror | blanket |
|---------|---------|---------|
| puppy | pillow | kitten |
| window | pasture | curtain |
| carpet | hollow | monkey |
| candy | rabbit | pencil |
| button | torso | slipper |
| mitten | marker | pattern |



| Component: | English Language Arts | |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade | |
| Lesson Title: | CK or X | |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Clarifying, and Run-on Sentences | |

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Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

State the objective

The purpose of these lessons are to:

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- Work on being proficient at the conventions of writing which include capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence types, and grammar.

Gain prior knowledge by asking students the following questions

What are the rules about dividing words into syllables? Make a list of at least 10 words. Divide those words into syllables? What is a run-on sentence? How can you avoid writing run-on sentences?

What are some of the strategies that you utilize to uncover the meaning of unfamiliar words?

What is the importance of asking questions to strengthen your understanding of what you have read?

Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this?

Content (the "Meat")

Fluency

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Repeated Reading Process

- Give student a passage to read at his/her appropriate reading level. It would be better to be a passage that is easily read than one that they are struggling with. Remember that they are practicing the sight words and phrases that make up about 65% of the text.
- 2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
- 3. Record the number of words read on a chart.
- 4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan.
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*Activity → Teachable Moment(s) *throughout*

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- 6. Celebrate success.
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Fluency Activity of the Day

Speed Reading: Have students form a circle. Number them of, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2 and so forth. Having the students stay in the circle, have the twos move to stand in front of the person who said "1" on his/her left. Give each student an opportunity to read aloud to his/her partner for 1 minute. Have one of the circles move and repeat the process. Have the other circle move and repeat for the third time.

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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CK or X

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a CK or X Word Bank and white boards.
- 3. Pair works through the word bank together, rewriting each word in syllables.
- 4. Pair then selects 5 of the words to write in a sentence.
- 5. Pair then shares sentences with another group.

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Activity

Clarifying:

Individual Show-Off: Before class, use several of the interesting words in a sentence in

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the same way that is used in the material. Write the sentences on a sentence strip. Students choose a sentence from the container. The student acts out the word as it is used in the sentence. For example, if the word is mariachi, the student might pretend he is a member of a Mariachi Band playing the trumpet.

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Run-On Sentences

A run-on sentence combines two or more thoughts or ideas that would best stand alone. Sometimes run-on sentences are created by connecting your thoughts with the word "and" which allows the sentence to continue on and on. Certainly not every sentence with the conjunction and in it is a run-on sentence. As the writer of the sentence the questions are: How many thoughts in this sentence? Is the sentence long and awkward to read and make sense of? Could I make this easier to understand if I wrote several smaller sentences instead of this one long, run-on sentence?

Put the following run-on sentence on the board or chart. The birthday cake was decorated in yellow flowers and we had yellow hats and streamers to decorate the table and we had invited 14 friends to the party.

Go through the process of asking the questions and then rewrite, making changes to make meaning easier for the reader.

Run-On Sentences

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a Run-On Sentence card and white boards.
- 3. Ask them to read the Run-on Sentence Card, ask themselves the questions and then rewrite the sentence into smaller units as appropriate.
- 4. When finished pair should share with another pair.

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Closing

Review

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3rd Grade CK or X Word Bank

| axes |
|-----------|
| checkers |
| cookie |
| faxing |
| heckle |
| hexes |
| lacking |
| locket |
| maximum |
| nickel |
| oxen |
| package |
| saxophone |
| sixes |
| smacking |
| snacking |
| tackle |
| tacky |
| taxi |
| taxing |
| Texas |
| thicken |
| thicket |
| tickets |
| tickling |
| Xray |
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3rd Grade Run-On Sentence Card

Jorge and Martin are going to spruce up the backyard and they went to the store to buy some bedding plants, flowers, and fertilizer and then they borrowed a truck to take all of the things to the house and unloaded everything and now they are hard at work in the back yard preparing the soil and planting.

Jill saw a dog walking along the sidewalk without its owner and she became very concerned and she called to the dog so she could read its collar but it did not have any tag on the collar and Jill went inside and looked in the newspaper to see if someone had lost a dog and sure enough there was a lost do advertisement and so Jill called the number to let the owner know where he could find his dog and Jill was very happy.

Jack and Jill were going on a walk near their house and they saw a hill nearby and they decided it would be fun to walk up the hill and so they did and stopped at the top of the hill to check out the old well that we there and then decided it was time to go home as they were getting tired and so they started down the hill and Jack tripped and fell down and started rolling and Jill tripped over Jack and did exactly the same and they weren't hurt thank goodness.



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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade | |
| Lesson Title: | V CV Syllables | |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Roots + Suffixes), Clarifying, and Commas | |

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

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What do you know about dividing words into syllables? What are some of the guidelines that define the division of words into syllables? How would you divide the word terrific? How about reasonable? What are some of the words that make up the subject of a sentence? Can a subject be two words? What is the importance of asking questions to strengthen your understanding of what you have read?

Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this? What do you do to make spelling easier? What are some "rules" about spelling that you use? What are some of the spelling patterns that you know about?

Content (the "Meat")

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Modeled Reading: Read the Fluency Passage to the student so she or he can hear fluent reading. Have the student read the passage. If the student gets stuck on a word, read the word and have her or him repeat it. Repeated one-on-one readings will increase speed, accuracy, smoothness and expression. (You can pair more proficient readers with less proficient ones).

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One of the first things to do is to look at a word and check to see if the vowel is long. These are known as open syllables. An open syllable is when the last element in the syllable is a vowel sound. The pattern looks like this:

v/cv

This stands for vowel-consonant- vowel. **Example:** motel mo/tel Have students give you several examples of words that have a long vowel sound in the first syllable. Discuss them with the students.

V/CV Syllable Division

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
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Activity

Clarifying:

Charades: choose a student to act out one of the words from the material. When you say "Action", the student begins to act out the word while everyone else tries to guess the word. After 30 seconds, if the others have not guessed the word, the students should tell the word and write it on the board. During the charade, encourage students to get into the moment using facial and body movements. Repeat several times.

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LBNT

Have students share what they like best about today's ELA activities and list that under the heading: LB or Liked Best Have students share what they would want more of next time during the ELA activities and list that under the heading of NT or Next Time.

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| stapler | motel | remote |
|---------|--------|--------|
| paper | over | poses |
| erase | iris | later |
| taken | lilac | pirate |
| unique | shady | pony |
| produce | open | table |
| music | mobile | noble |



| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | VC V Syllables |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Questioning, and Predicates of Sentences |

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

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Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Paired Readings: Partner students together. One partner times the other partner reading a passage. At the end of one minute, the partner says "Stop" and circles the last word the reader has read. The partners switch rolls. Complete this process three times.

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vc/v

This stands for vowel-consonant- vowel. **Example:** color col/or Have students give you several examples of words that have a short vowel sound in the first syllable. Discuss them with the students.

VC/V

Directions:

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Activity

Questioning:

I Wonder: Have the students read the information with a partner. Students should then ask themselves the question, "I wonder what I would do if this happened to me?" For example, the story is the tortoise and the Hare. The hare seems to be winning the race. I wonder what I would do if I were the tortoise? I wonder what I would do if I were the hare? I wonder how I would feel if the hare was making fun of me? I wonder....

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Predicates

Directions:

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Closing

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| gravel | lily | shovel |
|--------|--------|----------|
| limit | image | cavern |
| closet | frolic | olive |
| famish | linen | seventh |
| devil | lemon | frosting |
| vowel | talent | clever |
| money | any | habit |



| Component | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Sentence Fragments |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Questioning and Sentence Fragments |

Materials:

Activity at the end of the lesson plan

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Slow Reading: Utilize this process when you want students to work on accuracy. By doing slow-motion reading, students really look at each and every word becoming certain of each word, pronouncing it correctly. This makes the words more recognizable when students are reading quickly.

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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Before dividing a word into syllables check to see if the word is a compound word. If the word is compound, divide the word where the two parts of the word come together to create the compound word. Some compound words have more than two syllables: basketball. The compound word division would be between basket and ball, and then applying the rule about a double consonant in the word, you would divide bas – ket – ball, creating the three syllables of the word.

Syllables in Compound Words Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs
- 2. Have each pair brainstorm as many compound words as they can in 3 minutes
- 3. Write the collective list of words on the board or chart
- 4. Have each pair divide the words into syllables writing on a white board
- 5. Have pair use 5 of the words in a sentence.

Compound Word suggestions:

baseball, firefighter, snowman, turtlenecks, watermelon, grandma, keyboard, basement, eyeballs, undercover, overcoat, sunglasses, doorbell, motorcycle, somewhere, jellyfish, rainbow, highchair

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ended questions to determine what the rest of the group is thinking.

Activity

Questioning:

Question and Connection: Students form groups of four or five. Student read the information. Students develop Question and Connect Cards for what they have read. The group then finds another group and trades questions. Students answer the other team's questions, going back and forth.

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Write several sentence fragments on the board or chart and ask the students to tell you what is missing—the subject or the predicate. Ask students to help you add the words that are missing. Write those words and the reread to be sure that you have a complete sentence.

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Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?



Debrief

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- **D**: Describe one of the ELA activities that we did today.
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3rd Grade What's Missing Game Board

| Subject | Predicate |
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| 3rd Grade What's Missing Phrase Bank |
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| a penguin |
| cleaned the bedroom |
| the button on the shirt |
| any two shirts |
| design clothing |
| bake a cobbler |
| Jack and Jill |
| the tree branch |
| fell down and was hurt |
| Jill quickly |
| Frank |
| watched the TV show |
| every Monday night |
| fundamental truth |
| nearly walked off |
| the attorney and his client |
| after the boat overturned near the ocean |
| happened a month ago |
| the friendly, little puppy |
| beyond the nearest mountains |
| the brown, speckled egg |
| nearing San Francisco |
| wearing a pink shirt |
| I . |



| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | How Many Do You Hear? |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Summarizing, and Sentence Fragments |

Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

State the objective

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Chunk Reading: This process helps youth to read more quickly by seeing phrases or groups of words, instead of reading "word by word". For example, look at the following two sentences:

"Once upon a time there was a prince who wanted to marry a princess; but she would have to be a real princess. He travelled all over the world to find one, but nowhere could he get what he wanted."

Vocabulary

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Syllables

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How Many Do You Hear? Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Have pair review a How Many Do You Hear Word Bank and white boards.
- 3. Pair should review the Word Bank and first determine how many vowel sounds they hear and then write the word by syllables on the white board.
- 4. When they have completed the list, pair should think of 5 words that follow the pattern of two vowels together.
- 5. Pair should find another pair and challenge them to divide the words they have found into syllables.

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Activity

Summarizing:

Somebody/Wanted? But? So: This is a good way to summarize a story. Provide students with a white board or a piece of paper. Fold the paper into fourths. Write the headings in each square: 1st Square: somebody (Identify the character), 2nd Square: Wanted (Describe the character's goal), 3rd Square: But (Describe the conflict or the problem), 4th Square: So (Describe the resolution of the conflict.)

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LBNT

Have students share what they like best about today's ELA activities and list that under the heading: LB or Liked Best Have students share what they would want more of next time during the ELA activities and list that under the heading of NT or Next Time.

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3rd Grade How Many Do You Hear? Word Bank

| being |
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| breakfast |
| cereal |
| coin |
| competition |
| diet |
| factual |
| green |
| guitar |
| head |
| idea |
| iota |
| leather |
| lion |
| lotion |
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| stadium |
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3rd Grade What's Missing Game Board

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| 3rd Grade What's Missing Phrase Bank |
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| a penguin |
| cleaned the bedroom |
| the button on the shirt |
| any two shirts |
| design clothing |
| bake a cobbler |
| Jack and Jill |
| the tree branch |
| fell down and was hurt |
| Jill quickly |
| Frank |
| watched the TV show |
| every Monday night |
| fundamental truth |
| nearly walked off |
| the attorney and his client |
| after the boat overturned near the ocean |
| happened a month ago |
| the friendly, little puppy |
| beyond the nearest mountains |
| the brown, speckled egg |
| nearing San Francisco |
| wearing a pink shirt |
| I . |



| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Syllable Review and Predicates |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Syllables), Summarizing, and Predicates of Sentences |

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

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What are some of the rules that will help you divide words into syllables? Why would you need to divide words into syllables? How would that skill help you when you are reading? What is a predicate? How many words can be found in a predicate? Write a sentence with a predicate that has three words. Share it with the group and underline the predicate with two lines. What are some of the strategies that you utilize to uncover the meaning of unfamiliar words?

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Fluency Activity of the Day

All Read: During this activity, all of the students read aloud at the same time. Even if the students are not on the same passage, reading aloud will help them slow down and really practice each word. While students are reading, walk around. Touch a student on the shoulder to indicate that they should begin reading aloud so you can hear them.

Vocabulary

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Syllable Review

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a Syllable Review Game Board and set of Syllable Cards.
- 3. Working together, students will select a card, review the word, and determine which column it goes into.
- 4. Activity is over when all word cards are placed.

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Activity

Summarizing:

10 or Less: Ask students to summarize in ten words or less the material that they have



read. They can answer questions like, "what was the best part of what you read? What didn't you like about what you read? What could make the material better? In what way will this information apply to your life?

Conventions

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Predicates of Sentences

When you write a sentence, it has two parts, a subject and a predicate. The subject tells you who or what the sentence is about. The predicate tells you what the who or what is doing. The subject of the sentence will answer the question: Who or What? The predicate will answer the questions what did the person do or what happened. A predicate can have only one word, the verb, or it can have many words in the complete predicate. The way we indicate which part of the sentence is the predicate, is by making two lines under the predicate. Ask students to give you several sentences. Write them on the board or chart. Ask students to tell you which part is the predicate and underline it twice. If you have only one or two words in all of the sentences, ask students to expand the predicate.

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Predicates Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs and give each pair a die and a white board.
- 2. Working together, pair rolls the dice.
- 3. The pair must then create a sentence that has the number of words in the subject that is indicated by the die. For example if the pair rolls a 3, then they might write: ...rolled the ball, whereas if the rolled a 6, they might write: ...rolled the ball down the street.
- 4. Pair should share several of their sentences with another pair.

Closing

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3rd Grade Syllable Review

| gritty | slotted | grubby |
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| sudden | darkest | hammer |
| savvy | support | temper |
| intent | tiny | voted |
| griping | grimy | final |
| human | raving | saving |
| relax | mutate | sober |



| finish | wagon | silent |
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| rapid | camel | salad |
| spinach | cabin | promise |
| pelican | rapid | habit |
| money | any | clever |



| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3 rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Student Activity Choice |
| Focus: | Review Vocabulary and Conventions |

Materials:

Activities from Lesson Plans #1 - #10

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

State the objective

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Retest student, read for 1 minute compare results with the pre-test.

Vocabulary

Vocabulary development is a huge part of becoming proficient in reading. This section will build both academic vocabulary and important text vocabulary.

Today is a review day of all of the games and/or activities that students have played for the last eleven days. Have students choose from the following:

vc/cv

v/cv

vc/c

Syllable Review

Consonant + le

CK orX

Syllables in Compound Words

How Many Do You Hear?

Dividing Into Syllables

T, D or ED

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Activity

Q and S

Question and Connection #2: Ask all students to form a group of 4-5 students. In the group, someone asks a question about what was read and everyone must provide a different answer. Students should provide the answer in a complete sentence. Summarizing:

Did you know? In this activity pair students with one another. The first student asks, "Did you know...?" and then adds a piece of information that he/she has learned from the reading. The second student responds either "yes" or "no", and then asks, "Did you know...?" this continues until each student has asked 3-5 questions.

During the lesson check in with students repeatedly.

Check in about what is happening and what they are thinking.

Take advantage of any teachable moments.

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Subjects
Predicates
Run-On Sentences
Sentence Fragments
Sentence Builder

Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?

Debrief

LBNT

Have students share what they like best about today's ELA activities and list that under the heading: LB or Liked Best Have students share what they would want more of next time during the ELA activities and list that under the heading of NT or Next Time.

- 1. Ask students to think about what they did today.
- 2. Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
- 3. Ask them to comment on what they did today that was like something they had done before except in one particular way which was new to them. (Tweak)
- 4. Ask them to comment on something (if anything) they have learned today that was brand new to them. (Aha!)