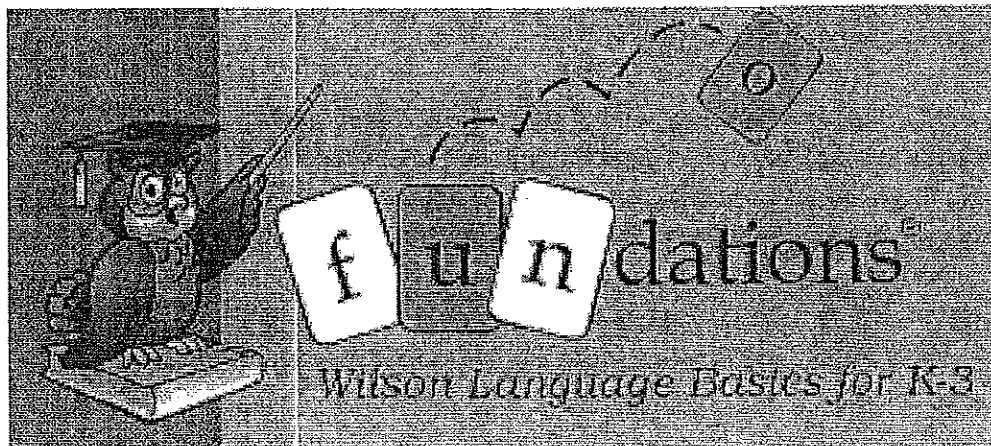


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Fundations® Six Types of Syllables in English

This year, I will review closed and v-e syllables and teach the six types of syllables in English.

Closed Syllable

- 1 This syllable can only have **one vowel**.
- 2 The vowel is followed by **one or more consonants** (closed in).
- 3 The vowel sound is **short**, marked with a breve (˘).
- 4 This syllable can be combined with other syllables to make **multisyllabic** words.

Examples

up hat ship last

Mark-up Sample

lăst
C

Vowel-Consonant-e Syllable

- 1 This syllable has a **vowel**, then a **consonant**, then an **e**.
- 2 The first vowel has a **long** sound, marked with a macron (ˉ).
- 3 The **e** is silent.
- 4 This syllable can be combined with other syllables to make **multisyllabic** words.

Examples

bike ape stove

Mark-up Sample

stōvē
v-e

Open Syllable

- 1 This syllable has only **one vowel** which is the last letter in the syllable.
- 2 The vowel sound is **long**, marked with a macron (ˉ).
- 3 This syllable can be combined with other syllables to make **multisyllabic** words.

Examples

I be shy hi

Mark-up Sample

hī
O

R-Controlled Syllable

- 1 This syllable contains a single vowel followed by an **r** (ar, er, ir, or, ur).
- 2 The vowel is neither **long** nor **short**; it is controlled by the r.
- 3 This syllable can be combined with other syllables to make **multisyllabic** words.

Examples

start fir hurt art

Mark-up Sample

art
r

Double Vowel - "D" Syllable

- 1 This syllable contains a **vowel digraph** or a **diphthong**. These are vowel teams.
- 2 This syllable can be combined with other syllables to make **multisyllabic** words.

Vowel Digraph: Two vowels together that represent one sound (ee).

Diphthong: A sound that begins with one vowel sound and glides into another (oi).

Examples

beat feel eight new

Mark-up Sample

new
d

Consonant-le Syllable

- 1 This syllable has only three letters: a **consonant**, an **l**, and an **e**.
- 2 The **e** is silent. It is the vowel. Every syllable needs at least one vowel. The consonant and the l are sounded like a blend.
- 3 This syllable must be the last syllable in a **multisyllabic** word.

Examples

cradle little bubble

Mark-up Sample

bub ble
-le

Unit 3

Closed Syllable- To be a closed syllable you must follow the following rules.

- Have only 1 vowel
- The vowel is followed by one or more consonants
- The vowel must be short and marked with a breve (˘)
- This syllable type can be combined to make multisyllabic words

We mark it by drawing a line under the word, putting a "C" and making the breve above the vowel.

EX: up, sit, last, crab

Closed Syllable exception- Follows all the closed syllable rules, except the vowel is not short. These are the common exceptions, *ild, ost, old, ind, olt*. We mark these by putting a line under the word, crossing off the "C" and making a long symbol over the vowel.

EX: bōld, jōlt, fīnd, wīld

Unit 4

Basewords- are words that do not have a suffix added. We add suffixes to basewords.

Suffixes- are endings that are added to a word to show different tenses of words or to change their meanings. Suffixes are circled and basewords are underlined.

EX: hunt(ed), press(ing), brush(es), small(est), blend(er)

Suffix ED- The suffix "ed" can make three different sounds. /id/, /d/, or /t/.

EX: /id/- ended /d/- banged /t/- camped

Suffix ES- The suffix "es" is used instead of "s" when a word ends in ch, sh, x, s, or v.

EX: box(es), church(es), glasses(es), crash(es)

Unit 8 & Unit 9

R-Controlled Syllable-

- Contains a single vowel followed by an "R" (ar, er, ir, or, ur ore)
- The vowel is neither long or short
- This syllable can be combined to make multisyllabic words

EX: car, bar, horn, chore, party
r r r r r

Unit 10

Double Vowel Syllable- Contains a double vowel combination (two vowels next to each other)

Vowel Diagraph- Two vowels together that represent one sound (ee, ai, ay)

Diphthong- A sound that begins with one vowel sound and glides into another (oi)

EX: plain, main, play, jeep, bait
d d d d d

Unit 11

Vowel Teams- two vowels together that make one new sound (D Syllable)

**ee, ea, ey will be introduced. Students will learn that "ey" is only used at the end of words and that "ee & ea" are normally used in the middle of words.

EX: steam, sheep, hockey, indeed
d d c d c d

Unit 12

Vowel Teams- Two more vowel teams will be introduced, (oi and oy) Such as in coin and boy

EX: toy, moist, paperboy, enjoyable, join
d d o r d c d d