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Word Parts Speedy Syllables

Objective

The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading syllables.

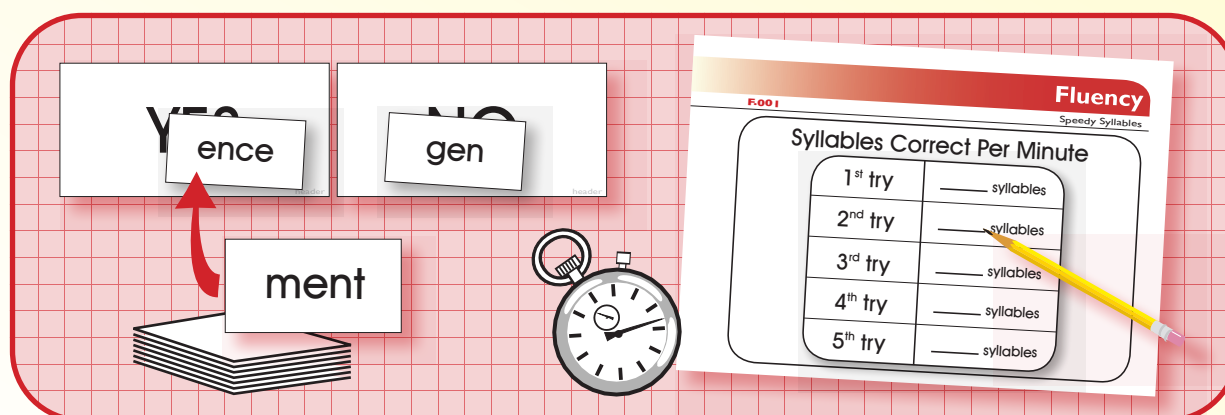
Materials

- ▶ YES and NO header cards
Copy on colored construction paper and laminate.
- ▶ Syllable cards
These are 100 syllables chosen from the list of 337 syllables found in the 5000 most frequent words. Some syllables have more than one pronunciation (e.g., “char” as in charter and character; “mal” as in formal and malnourished; “cy” as in fancy and cycle). It is suggested that when timing, students say only one sound per syllable. Note: All open syllables are pronounced with a long vowel sound.
- ▶ Syllables correct per minute record
- ▶ Timer (e.g., digital)
- ▶ Pencils

Activity

Students quickly read syllables in a timed activity.

1. Place header cards face up and timer on a flat surface. Place the syllable cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a syllables correct per minute record.
2. Taking turns, student one sets the timer for one minute, selects the top card, holds it up for partner to see, and prompts partner to read the syllable.
3. If the syllable is read correctly, student one places the card in a pile on the “YES” card. If the syllable is read incorrectly, places it in a pile on the “NO” card.
4. Continue until the timer rings. Count the syllable cards in the “YES” pile and record the number on the syllables correct per minute record. Read syllables in “NO” pile together.
5. Repeat the activity at least two more times attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
6. Reverse roles.
7. Peer evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Read common non-word syllables in a timed activity. There are approximately 20 different syllables presented on each sheet.

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header



NO

header



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syllable cards



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Syllables Correct Per Minute

1 st try	_____ syllables
2 nd try	_____ syllables
3 rd try	_____ syllables
4 th try	_____ syllables
5 th try	_____ syllables



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ba bi tel bor cate

cen cir cial char cle

co cor cu cul cus (15)

cy gi bles vi wil

vi tel wil ba bi

cul bor cate cen cir (30)

cial char cle co cor

cu cul cus cy gi

wil vi tel gi cy (45)

cus bles cu cor co

cle cir cial char cen

cate bor bles bi ba (60)

common non-word syllables

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ders	dle	dy	ence	ered	
fac	fect	gen	gle	heav	
ic	ies	pres	jo	ket	(15)
lat	lec	lect	li	lin	
ders	dy	ence	fac	ic	
dle	gen	ered	lin	jo	(30)
gle	heav	ies	pres	ket	
lat	lec	lect	li	fect	
lin	li	lect	lec	lat	(45)
ket	jo	pres	ies	ic	
heav	gle	gen	fect	fac	
ered	ence	dy	dle	ders	(60)

common non-word syllables

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su ous op oc ob

nu nore no ni mo

mil mi ments meas pi (15)

mal fel lu lo har

lo lu fel mal meas

ments mi mil mo su (30)

ni no nore nu ob

oc op ous har pi

har lo lu fel mal (45)

meas nu ments mo mi

mil ni no nore su

ob oc op ous pi (60)

common non-word syllables

4

ta	sur	sup	sug	sis	
sion	sim	ser	se	sa	
ro	ried	rep	rect	rec	(15)
ra	pos	ples	mag	ish	
ples	pos	se	ra	mag	
rec	rect	rep	ried	ro	(30)
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sug	ish	sup	sur	ta	
ish	mag	ples	pos	ra	(45)
rec	rect	re	ried	ro	
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common non-word syllables

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