

Syllable Door Sort

Look at the first syllable to decode each word.

2RF3.c "Decode regularly spelled two-syllable words."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CLOSED SYLLABLE

A closed syllable ends in a consonant. Its vowel usually makes a short sound.

kit-ten

OPEN SYLLABLE

An open syllable ends in a vowel. Its vowel usually makes a long sound.

ra-ven

1 SORT _____ 8 items

For Part 1, read each word and circle CLOSED or OPEN, then for Part 2, choose two words and explain how the first syllable helped you decide.

1. napkin

CLOSED

OPEN

2. robot

CLOSED

OPEN

3. tiger

CLOSED

OPEN

4. sunset

CLOSED

OPEN

5. basket

CLOSED

OPEN

6. rabbit

CLOSED

OPEN

7. paper

CLOSED

OPEN

8. picnic

CLOSED

OPEN

2

PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3

MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

For Part 3, write one new two-syllable word with a CLOSED first syllable and one new two-syllable word with an OPEN first syllable.

CLOSED _____

OPEN _____

CHALLENGE

Write a sentence with a new two-syllable word. Underline the word and label its first syllable CLOSED or OPEN.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	napkin	CLOSED	nap-kin has a first syllable ending in p, so the first syllable is closed.
2	robot	OPEN	ro-bot has a first syllable ending in o, so the first syllable is open.
3	tiger	OPEN	ti-ger has a first syllable ending in i, so the first syllable is open.
4	sunset	CLOSED	sun-set has a first syllable ending in n, so the first syllable is closed.
5	basket	CLOSED	bas-ket has a first syllable ending in s, so the first syllable is closed.
6	rabbit	CLOSED	rab-bit has a first syllable ending in b, so the first syllable is closed.
7	paper	OPEN	pa-per has a first syllable ending in a, so the first syllable is open.
8	picnic	CLOSED	pic-nic has a first syllable ending in c, so the first syllable is closed.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **CLOSED:** helmet
- **OPEN:** baby

Challenge: I saw a puppet at the show. **CLOSED**

Accept other regularly spelled two-syllable words if the student correctly identifies whether the first syllable is open or closed. For Part 2, students should name the ending of the first syllable and connect it to the vowel sound.