Syllable Sort

Look at the first syllable.

2.LF.38.a "Encode grade-appropriate multisyllabic words using knowledge of syllable types, including open, closed, vowel-consonant-e, vowel teams, vowel-r, and consonant-le."

NAME _____ DATE _____

OPEN	CLOSED
An open syllable ends in a vowel. The vowel says its name. ze/ro	A closed syllable ends in a consonant. The vowel usually has a short sound. kit/ten

1 SORT

8 items

Read each word and circle OPEN or CLOSED for its first syllable; in PROVE IT, pick one word from each group and explain how you knew.

1. ro/bot OPEN CLOSED

2. nap/kin OPEN CLOSED

3. pic/nic OPEN CLOSED

4. mu/sic OPEN CLOSED

5. pi/lot OPEN CLOSED

6. ho/tel OPEN CLOSED

7. rab/bit OPEN CLOSED

8. bas/ket OPEN CLOSED

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick one word from each group and explain how you knew.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new two-syllable word with an OPEN first syllable and one with a CLOSED first syllable, and put a slash between the syllables in each word.

OPEN _____

CLOSED _____

CHALLENGE

Write two new two-syllable words with the same first vowel letter, one with an OPEN first syllable and one with a CLOSED first syllable, and put a slash between their syllables.

ANSWER KEY # Syllable Sort

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	ro/bot	**OPEN**	Ro ends in a vowel with a long o sound.
2	nap/kin	**CLOSED**	Nap ends in a consonant and has a short a sound.
3	pic/nic	**CLOSED**	Pic ends in a consonant and has a short i sound.
4	mu/sic	**OPEN**	Mu ends in a vowel with a long u sound.
5	pi/lot	**OPEN**	Pi ends in a vowel with a long i sound.
6	ho/tel	**OPEN**	Ho ends in a vowel with a long o sound.
7	rab/bit	**CLOSED**	Rab ends in a consonant and has a short a sound.
8	bas/ket	**CLOSED**	Bas ends in a consonant and has a short a sound.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Task: Pick one word from each group and explain how you knew.
Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **OPEN**: pa/per
- **CLOSED**: mag/net

Challenge: ti/ger and tick/et

For PROVE IT, a student might write: Ro in ro/bot ends in a vowel with a long o sound. Nap in nap/kin ends in a consonant and has a short a sound.