

Word Pattern Detectives

Sort words, explain why for two, then make your own.

2.FFW.2.A "Use phoneme-grapheme (sound/symbol correspondence to encode (spell) single-syllable words containing closed syllables (cvc, ccvc, cvcc, and ccvcc), open syllables (cv, ccv), vowel-consonant-e (cvce, ccvce), vowel teams..."

NAME _____

DATE _____

CLOSED WORD

In a closed word, a consonant comes after the vowel and closes the syllable. The vowel usually has a short sound.

drum

SILENT E WORD

In a silent e word, the ending has a vowel, one consonant, and e. The e is silent, and the vowel usually says its name.

hope

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Read each word and circle CLOSED or SILENT.

1. cube

CLOSED

SILENT

2. plane

CLOSED

SILENT

3. stamp

CLOSED

SILENT

4. brave

CLOSED

SILENT

5. fresh

CLOSED

SILENT

6. drift

CLOSED

SILENT

7. smile

CLOSED

SILENT

8. blend

CLOSED

SILENT

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

Write one new CLOSED word and one new SILENT word.

CLOSED _____

SILENT _____

CHALLENGE

Write a CLOSED word, then add e to make a SILENT word. Write both words.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	cube	SILENT	cube ends with u, b, e, so it has a silent e pattern.
2	plane	SILENT	plane ends with a, n, e, so it has a silent e pattern.
3	stamp	CLOSED	The a is followed by consonants and has its short sound.
4	brave	SILENT	brave ends with a, v, e, so it has a silent e pattern.
5	fresh	CLOSED	The e is followed by consonants and has its short sound.
6	drift	CLOSED	The i is followed by consonants and has its short sound.
7	smile	SILENT	smile ends with i, l, e, so it has a silent e pattern.
8	blend	CLOSED	The e is followed by consonants and has its short sound.

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:** crab
- **SILENT:** crate

Challenge: tap, tape

For Part 2, accept any two selected words when the student explains the closing consonant and short vowel, or the vowel-consonant-e ending with silent e. Part 3 answers may vary if the words match the patterns.