

# Recognizing Numbers of Syllables

Complete each sentence with a word from the word box. The word must have the number of syllables shown in parentheses.

carpenters	jumped	vacation	leaves	trainer
restaurant	architect	passengers	pictures	cried
captain	circus	potatoes	crowd	track

1. The (2) \_\_\_\_\_ of the ship ordered the crew to wash the deck.
2. Every Friday the ship (1) \_\_\_\_\_ New York for a five-day cruise.
3. The (3) \_\_\_\_\_ were unaware of sharks following behind the ship.
4. I went to the (2) \_\_\_\_\_ with my family.
5. My neighbors gave me five dollars for taking care of their yard while they were on (3) \_\_\_\_\_.
6. After their vacation, they had a lot of (2) \_\_\_\_\_ to show.
7. Mother planned to have steak and (3) \_\_\_\_\_ for dinner.
8. Our dog (1) \_\_\_\_\_ onto the table and got the steak.
9. We had to go to a (3) \_\_\_\_\_ for dinner.
10. The (2) \_\_\_\_\_ fed the elephants every day at noon.
11. The seals always (1) \_\_\_\_\_ loudly before their feeding.



Write a short story that uses all of the words in the box above. Use a dictionary if you need help. Then, draw a picture of your story. Read your story to your class, and show them your picture.

# Dividing Syllables with Two Consonants (VC/CV)

If there is a vowel-consonant-consonant-vowel letter pattern in a word, it is usually divided between the two consonants.

Examples:       $\begin{array}{c|c} \text{vc} & \text{cv} \\ \text{en} & \text{large} \end{array}$        $\begin{array}{c|c} \text{vc} & \text{cv} \\ \text{car} & \text{pet} \end{array}$        $\begin{array}{c|c} \text{vc} & \text{cv} \\ \text{pic} & \text{ture} \end{array}$

Divide each word below into syllables. Then write v-c-c-v over each word, as shown above.

limber	midget	winter	basket
faster	picnic	forty	garden
bottom	after	service	budget
musket	injure	argue	party
mustard	sister	wonder	window
finger	alter	cactus	magnet
turnip	chimney	goblin	purpose
catsup	dragnet	number	master
tender	problem	husband	circus
doctor	market	fifteen	pencil
silver	dentist	parcel	target

What kind of a vowel sound do you usually hear in the first syllable? \_\_\_\_\_

What is usually the exception? \_\_\_\_\_

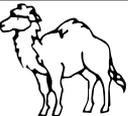
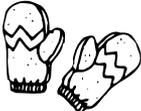
# Spelling Two-Syllable Words

Spell the two-syllable words pictured below. Divide the word by drawing a line between the syllables. Mark the vowel sound heard in the first syllable.

Short vowels: a e i o u

Long vowels: ā ē ī ō ū

Examples:  but/ton  ā/pron



Think of three words that have four or more syllables. Draw a picture of each word.