



Learning intention:

To use the syllabification spelling strategy.

Success criteria:

- I can **identify** how many syllables are in a word.
- I can **sort** words by how many syllables they have.





Syllabification

- Syllabification is a useful strategy to help spell words, it is also a technique used by poets to create rhythm in their poems. They select words which have a specific number of syllables to keep the beat of their poem.
- A syllable is a part of a word that contains sounds (phonemes), all syllables must contain a vowel sound.
- Think of it as a 'beat'. It helps to clap your hands as you say the word!

For example:

boy –1 syllable

shopp-ing –2 syllables

in-ter-net–3 syllables



Watch this video if you need to revise how to count syllables.

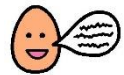




Syllabification Spelling Task



- Your task today is to sort the words, selected from the poems in the lending library, by how many syllables they have. You need to separate the syllables with a hyphen (-), see example below.



favourite	nostrils	burglar	ancient
safari	yellow	leaping	opposite
brothers	reception	summer	fifth
breakers	Broomstick	Christmases	magical
rythms	adolescent	naughty	dialect
2 syllables	3 syllables	4 syllables	5 or more syllables
ye-llow	fav-ou-rite		



CHALLENGE

LITERACY - SPELLING



- Use some of the words from the previous task to write 2 sentences that have the same number of syllables (beats) in each sentence.
- Write your 2 sentences showing each of the syllables, see example below. The sentences below both have 11 syllables.

TIP



I changed this from “little” to “red” as I had too many syllables in this sentence.

- ✓ Try clapping it out as you read it, can you count the syllables.
- ✓ Remember a syllable must contain a vowel sound.
- ✓ You can check using the syllable counter but have a go first.



My reception teacher wore a yellow dress.
It was my favourite dress with red flowers.

My re-cep-tion tea-cher wore a ye-llow dress.
It was my fav-ou-rite dress with red flow-ers.

How Many Syllables



Self Assessment – Have you been successful?

Traffic light each of the Success Criteria

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Red – I need some help and a lot more practise at this

Amber – I need a little bit more practise with this but I am getting there

Green – I feel confident with this!