

## **ACTIVITIES FOR SYLLABLE SEGMENTATION**

**Phonological Awareness** is the awareness of what sounds are and how they work together to make words. Skills include the ability to; rhyme, segment words into syllables and single sounds, and identify sounds within different positions within words. This is one of the key skills needed for successful reading and writing.

**Syllable Segmentation** is the ability to identify how many syllables (or parts) there are in a word (eg tab-le).

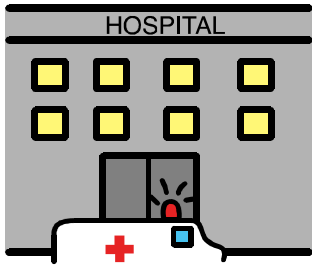
**Syllable Segmentation is important for the development of a child's sound awareness in words. A child that is able to recognise the syllables of a word will be better able to read and spell. As they become familiar with syllables they will begin to see syllable patterns in words (eg. giggle and wiggle both have the syllable 'gle') and be able to break longer words into their syllables to aid in spelling (eg. bu\_cket).**

Use the attached picture cards in the following activities to develop Syllable Segmentation:

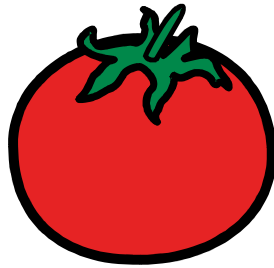
- Put the pictures in a series of envelopes or into a 'lucky dip' container. The child has to open the envelope or pull one picture out of the container, say what the picture is and then clap out the syllables.
- Sort out all the pictures according to how many syllables they have. See which number of syllables has the biggest pile.
- Make a giant ladder on the carpet using masking tape. Get your child to select a picture, say the word and then jump up the rungs of the ladder according to how many syllables the word has.
- Fishing: Make a fishing rod out of a stick, string and a magnet (for the hook). Attach paper clips to the cards and place them face down on the floor. Ask your child to catch the pictures by using the magnetic fishing rod. Once your child has caught a fish get them to say the word and then clap out the number of syllables. You can then get your child to sort the pictures into buckets according to how many syllables the word has.

SYLLABLE RESOURCE

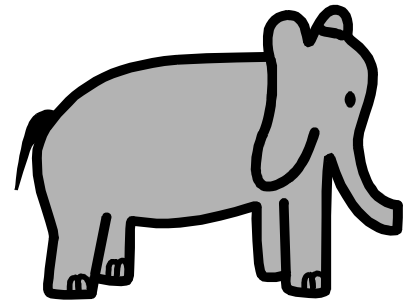
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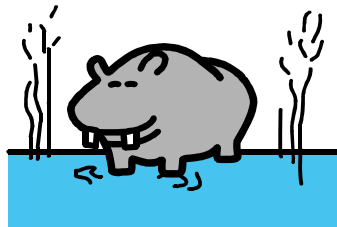
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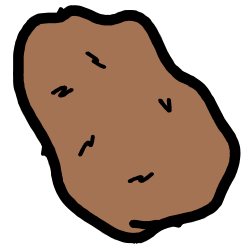
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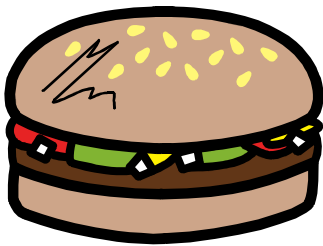
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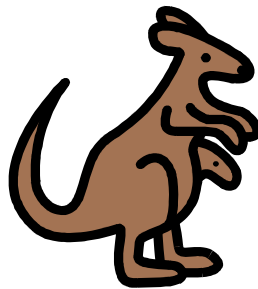
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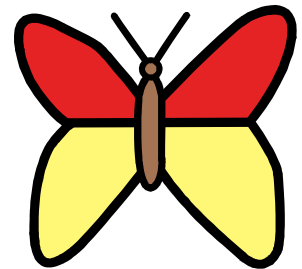
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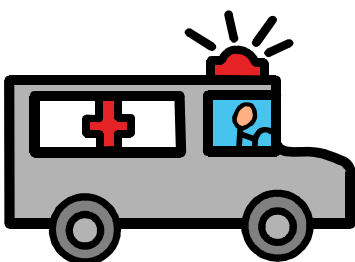
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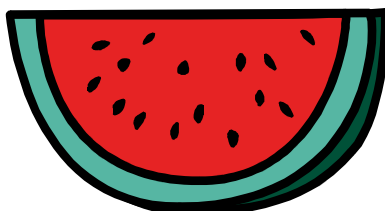
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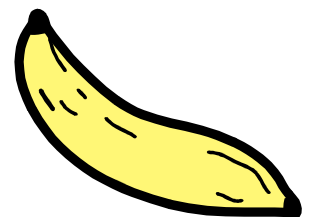
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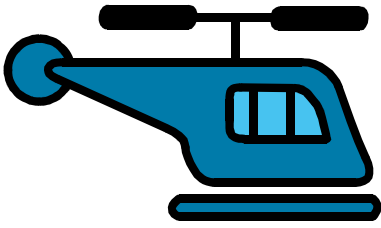


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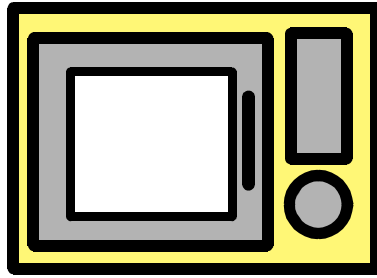


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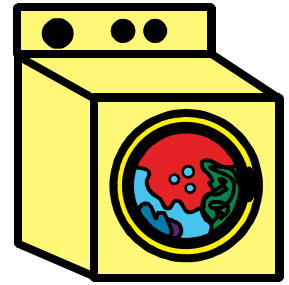
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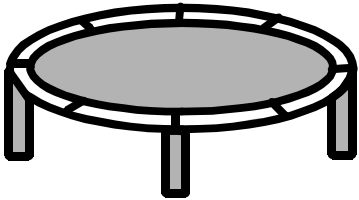
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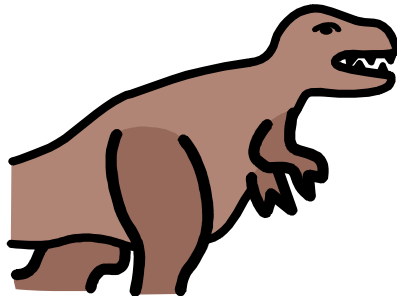
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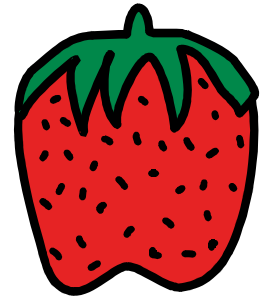
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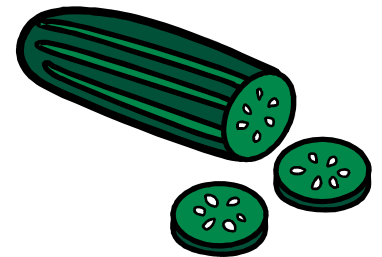
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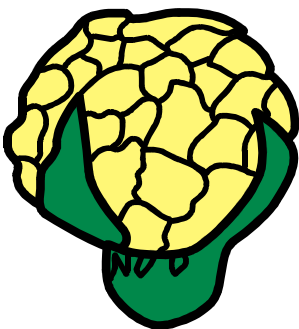
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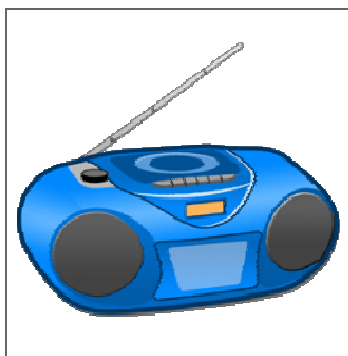
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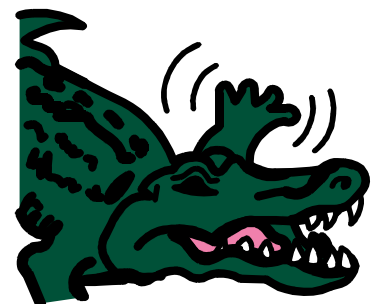
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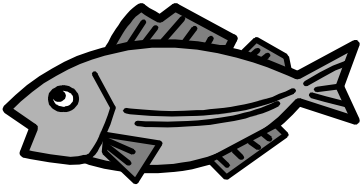


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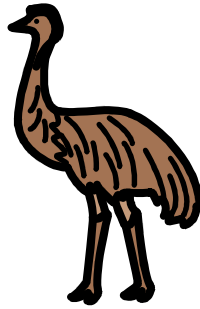


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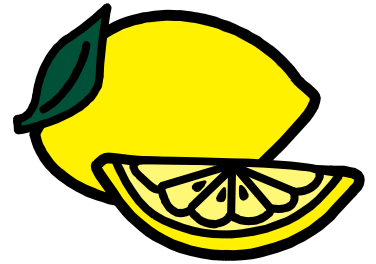
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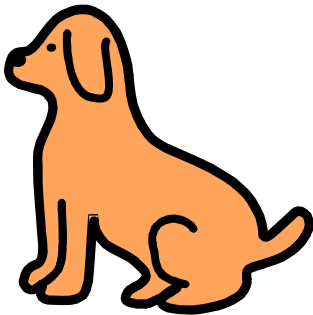
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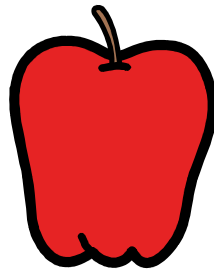
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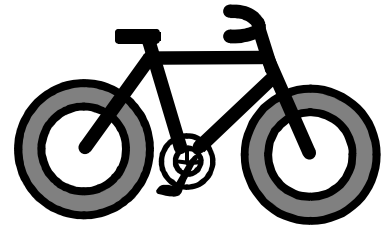
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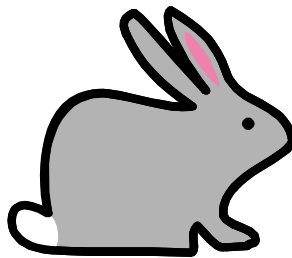
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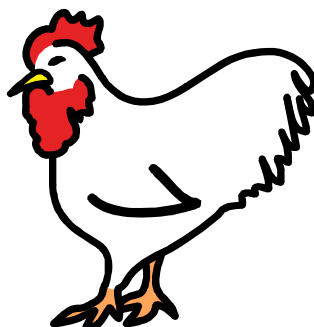
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book



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pencil

