



Counting Syllables in Words

Today's Standard

1.RF.3d - Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Clapping hands for each syllable in a word; Using a mirror to see mouth movements for each syllable; Counting syllables in names of classmates; Breaking down words in a favorite storybook; Using a syllable-counting app or game

Today I Learned

Today, we learned that every syllable in a word must have a vowel sound. This helps us figure out how many syllables are in a word.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think every letter has a vowel sound, but only vowels do. Others think a silent 'e' at the end of a word adds a syllable, but it doesn't.

Quiz Me

- What is a syllable?
- Why does every syllable need a vowel sound?
- How can you count the syllables in a word?
- Does a silent 'e' add a syllable?
- Can you clap out the syllables in your name?

Help Me

A syllable is a part of a word with a vowel sound. For example, 'apple' has two syllables: ap-ple. You can clap your hands for each syllable to count them. This helps you read and say words better.