

WORD WORK LESSON PLAN AND ACTIVITIES

Instructional
Focus Based on
the Words in
the Book

Word Work

Instructional Focus:
Three-Syllable Words

Background:
Syllabication is the process of dividing a word into syllables. A syllable usually contains one vowel sound. After that vowel, breaking longer words accurately and read more smoothly.

In third grade, students begin to learn to recognize and read three-syllable words. Readers can use sounds, clapping the beats in a word, or prefixes and suffixes.

Examples:

yes/ter/day	fam/i/ly
dis/ap/pear	to/geth/er
hap/pi/ly	impor/tant

Materials and Preparation:

- A copy of *Hello Lighthouse*
- Chart paper and markers
- 2 different colored pencils
- Light House Roll, Read, and Race page
- Answer Key for Light House Roll, Read, and Race page
- 2 different colored pencils
- Three Syllable Practice Page
- Optional: Word Detective
- Optional: Three-Syllable Word Hunt

Hello Lighthouse
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Grade Level: 3 / Guided Reading Level: P

Word Work

Step 2: Connect Word Work to Reading (continued)

Three-Syllable Words in the Text

- Explain that you will now read the book from beginning to end. Tell students that they might hear some words that have more than 3-syllables. Those words are good to notice, but they will not be added to the anchor chart because they do not have 3-syllables.
- Remind students to listen for three-syllable words but to wait until the reading is finished to share.
- Read *Hello Lighthouse* aloud from start to finish.

Examples of Three-Syllable Words found in the text:

- forever
- disappear
- polishes
- disaster
- gathering
- unexpected
- telescope
- together
- horizon
- belongings

Step 3: Guided Word Work Practice

Interactive Exploration

- Divide students into pairs.
- Provide each pair with a *Light House Roll, Read, and Race* page, 2 different colored pencils, and a dice.
- Show students how to roll the dice to determine which column they must read from (e.g. if they roll a 3, they read from column 3).
- Show students that once you have found the correct column, you read the first available word in the lowest row (e.g. in column 3- elephant).
- Show students how to draw lines between the syllables in the word that they have read using their colored pencil. Once they have done this, that word is "completed" and cannot be played on again. So, the next time a student rolls a 3, they will need to move to the word above "elephant" in column 3 (e.g. in column 3- butterfly).
- Students alternate turns until the entire *Light House Roll, Read, and Race* page has been played.
- The student who reads and puts syllable slashes in the top word in a column (e.g. in column 3- yesterday) "wins" that column.
- Explain that this activity works best if you say each word out loud and clap the sounds you hear.

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List of words in the book that match the instructional focus

Step by Step Lesson Plan

Three Syllable

Name: _____

Directions:
Read each word below and clap the syllables that you hear. Draw slashes between the letters to show the three syllables in each word. Then, choose one word to use in a sentence about life at sea.

mariner	dangerous	direction	horizon
hurricane	overboard	passenger	navigate

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Build syllable ladders to get down from the top of the light house. The first one has been done for you.

- Write the first syllable in the top box.
- Write the middle syllable in the middle box.
- Write the final syllable in the last box.

fantastic	pyramid	camera	calendar
fan			
tas			
tic			

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pyramid	camera	calendar
pyr	cam	cal
a	er	en
id	a	dar

Independent Practice Page and Answer Key

Directions: Cut on the solid lines. Fold on the dotted lines. Glue the tabs.

Lighthouse Roll, Read, and Race

1	2	3	4
yesterday	buffalo	animal	slippery
chocolate	vacation	melody	volcano
butterfly	beautiful	visitor	octopus
elephant	computer	family	hospital

Interactive Activity

Three-Syllable Word Hunt
Extend Engagement Activity

Directions:

- Have students stand in pairs at their desks.
- Provide each pair with a clipboard, paper, and pencil.
- Tell students that they will go on a hunt for three-words around the school in pre-approved classrooms and spaces. Once they find a three-syllable word, they should write it on their paper with slashes between each syllable (e.g. in the music room they might see an "instrument").
- Tell students that words on posters or displays count towards their hunt (e.g. they might see the word "physics" on a poster).
- Tell students that you will set a timer for 5 minutes. Their goal as a pair is to find as many 3-syllable words as they can in the designated time.
- After 5 minutes, have students return to the classroom and share the words that they found.

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Optional Activity to Extend Engagement

Word Detective: Three-Syllable Words
Extension Activity

Directions:
Be a word detective!
Be on the lookout for three-syllable words while you read. Write the word that you find along with the title of the book where you found the word, the page, and the sentence with the word or phrase.

Word	Book Title	Page	Sentence

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Extension Activity