## Learn to Read Game: Syllables



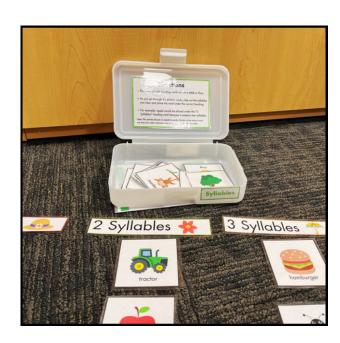
### Get ready to have fun while learning to read!

This game is part of a series developed to practice beginning reading skills. Adults, be sure to read through the directions and information before playing together. It will give you lots of tips to enhance learning!

Included in this file are all of the directions you will need to create this learning game. It is formatted to fit on a plastic pencil case like you might find at the dollar store, but an envelope works well too.

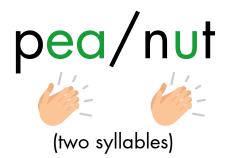
### Steps:

- 1. Print out all pages single-sided.
- 2. Cut out on outside line of all boxes. Do not cut inner boxes.
- 3. OPTIONAL: laminate items, affix labels to box
- 4. Put directions, info page, and other materials into your box or envelope.
- 5. Have lots of fun!



# What Are Syllables?

Some syllables may have two vowels that make <u>one sound</u>, such as with **vowel teams**. For example:



A syllable is a **word** or **word part** that contains <u>one vowel sound</u>.

Though peanut has 3 vowels, it only has 2 vowel <u>sounds</u>! Therefore we count the syllables with 2 claps.





Understanding how to break words apart by their syllables helps build the skills needed in later years to break down longer, more difficult to pronounce words during reading and writing.



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- Place the syllable heading cards out on a table or floor.
- As you go through the picture cards, clap out the syllables you hear and place the card under the correct heading.
- For example, apple would be placed under the "2 Syllables" heading card because it contains two syllables.

Note: This activity focuses on sounds in words. Words on the picture cards are there for adult reference and do not need to read by the child.









