

Fourth Grade Spelling List: Unit 3, Week 1

This week students are going to be learning about open syllables. In its simplest form, an open syllable is a syllable that ends in a vowel. Examples include me, open, and human. It's called an open syllable because the vowel **does not** have a consonant to "close" it in. In open syllables, the vowel usually says its long sound. An open syllable can also just be the vowel itself such as in the word apron (a*pron).

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| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"><h3>What is an Open Syllable?</h3><p>m e b e t a</p><p>An open syllable is a syllable that ends in a vowel. When a syllable ends in a vowel, that vowel says its name.</p></div> | | | | | | | | | |

At the end of the week, students will be tested on open syllable words. Not all words will be found on student tests. To help your child learn their words, you can have them do the following activities.

1. Find other words that fit the spelling pattern and practice breaking the words into syllables.

Spelling Words:

1. brazenly = bra zen ly
2. location = lo ca tion
3. decided = de ci ded
4. nature = na ture
5. deter = de ter
6. noticed = no ticed
7. local = lo cal
8. prevent = pre vent

*Underlined syllable is open.