



Objective

The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading syllables.

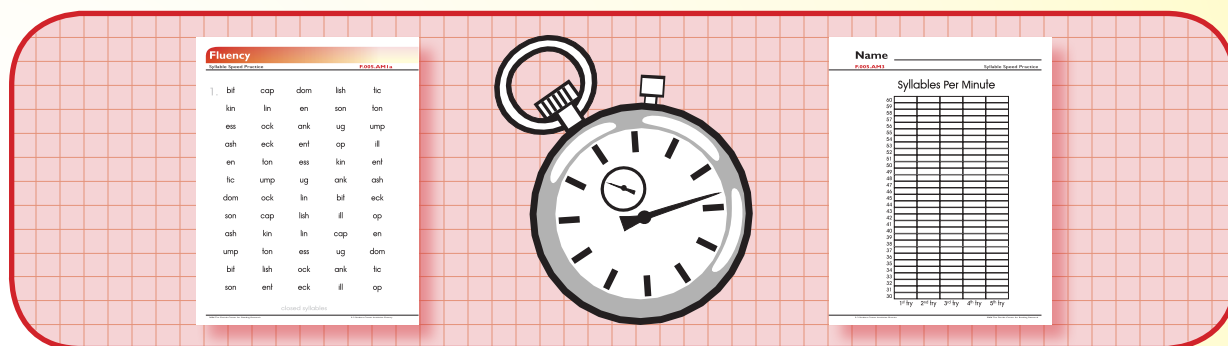
Materials

- ▶ Syllable speed practice sheets (Activity Master F.005.AM1a - F.005.AM1f)
Each sheet has a different syllable type (i.e., open, closed, r-controlled, VCE, vowel teams, cons-le). Select target practice sheet. Twenty syllables are presented on each page. Make two copies of each sheet and laminate.
Note: All vowels are pronounced long on the open syllable sheet.
- ▶ Syllables correct per minute graph (Activity Master F.005.SS)
- ▶ Timer (e.g., digital)
- ▶ Vis-à-Vis® markers

Activity

Students quickly read syllables by doing timed practices.

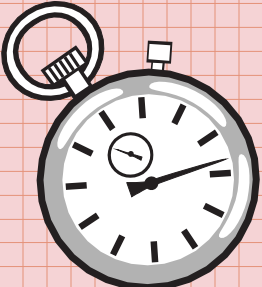
1. Place two copies of the target syllable speed practice sheet and timer at the center. Provide each student with a syllables correct per minute graph.
2. Taking turns, students practice reading the syllables aloud to each other before beginning the timing.
3. Student one sets the timer for one minute and tells student two to “begin.”
4. Student two reads across the page while student one follows on his copy and uses a Vis-à-Vis® marker to draw a line through any syllables that are read incorrectly. If all the syllables on the sheet are read, go back to the top and continue reading.
5. When the timer goes off, student one marks the last syllable read. Counts the number of syllables read correctly.
6. Student two graphs number of syllables read correctly on his syllables correct per minute graph.
7. Repeat the activity at least two more times attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
8. Reverse roles.
9. Teacher evaluation



Fluency
Syllable Speed Practice
F.005.AM1a

bit	cap	dom	ish	tic
kin	lin	en	son	tan
ess	ock	ank	ug	ump
ash	eck	ent	op	ill
en	lon	ess	kin	ent
tic	ump	ug	ank	ash
dom	ock	lin	bit	eck
son	cap	ish	ill	op
ash	kin	lin	cap	en
ump	tan	ess	ug	dom
bit	ish	ock	ank	tic
son	ent	eck	ill	op

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Name _____
F.005.SS1

Syllables Per Minute

60				
55				
50				
45				
40				
35				
30				
25				
20				
15				
10				
5				
0				
1st try	2nd try	3rd try	4th try	5th try

Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Use practice sheet containing all six syllable types (Activity Master F.005.AM2).
- ▶ Use advanced graphs with more fluent readers (Activity Master F.025.SS2 and F.025.SS3).

Fluency

Syllable Speed Practice

F.005.AM1a

1. bit cap dom lish tic
kin lin en son ton
ess ock ank ug ump
ash eck ent op ill
en ton ess kin ent
tic ump ug ank ash
dom ock lin bit eck
son cap lish ill op
ash kin lin cap en
ump ton ess ug dom
bit lish ock ank tic
son ent eck ill op

closed syllables

2. he re ba me de
 te ne vo di ra
 fi spa du be co
 fa de bo fi mu
 ru hi ha le fo
 go pe fli pa tu
 la pu se wo di
 pre wa ti ru bo
 fi be mu da ha
 vo pi fa pu se
 ma du we ti sho
 bi ne pra go tu

open syllables

Fluency

Syllable Speed Practice

F.005.AM1c

3. er or ir ar ur
or ir art ur ar
ird ar ur erm or
ar er orn ir ur
urt ir ar erd or
orn er irk ar ur
art urb er ork ir
er arm ir ur ark
ir er ur ar arn
or ir ard ur er
irt erb urp irm or
er ar art urn arm

r-controlled syllables

4. ate ire obe ume ede

 ote ene ive ade ube

 ife ape ode ule ete

 use ide ame eve ope

 aze uke ine ole ene

 ipe one ede ace uge

 ale oke ute ive ibe

 ete ube ake ite ove

 ice ave oke ude ete

 ove ike afe ede use

 ile eve une ite ote

 uke ate ove ime ube

vowel-consonant-e syllables

Fluency

Syllable Speed Practice

F.005.AM1e

5. eam oat een ood ait
ie ay own eep ood
oan aid oan ead oal
ail eed own aw oof
oe ait each ay eek
oon eal ook ain eet
eep oe ead ood air
oop eet aid oan own
oam ie eem oup eal
oad ail oa eak eet
oon eam oat ay ook
ain eel eem eap aw

vowel team syllables

6. ble kle zle dle gle
 ple gle kle fle zle
 kle ple dle ble fle
 gle dle cle fle gle
 dle zle ple ble cle
 gle ple ble kle zle
 zle dle cle gle fle
 kle dle gle ble tle
 dle kle zle ble kle
 ple ble cle gle fle
 ble dle kle zle gle
 kle ple tle fle cle

consonant -le syllables

Fluency

Syllable Speed Practice

F.005.AM2

7. est arm ink ite de
ame bout un oat com
ble ex num ing fi
own dis bo oke ple
oat de est un ble
ite pe ex ame com
oke bout ing ink num
ple own fi dis bo
ink ble oat ex un
ar dis fi bout ite
ple de oke num own
bo ame com est ing

all syllable types

Name _____

F.005.SS

Syllable Speed Practice

Syllables Correct Per Minute

60					
59					
58					
57					
56					
55					
54					
53					
52					
51					
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49					
48					
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32					
31					
30					
	1 st try	2 nd try	3 rd try	4 th try	5 th try