Parent**Portal**

Syllable Steps

This game is to help your child break words down into syllables. This is an important early step in learning to talk and read.

You will need the pictures attached to play this game. Cut them out and make sure your child knows what each one is before you start.

Place the pictures in a pile face down in front of your child. Take the first picture and ask your child to name it. Show your child how to clap out the word breaking it down into syllables,

e.g. Elephant - el e phant (3 claps)

Ask your child to break the word down taking a step for each syllable. It they make a mistake repeat the word clapping out the syllables for them to copy.

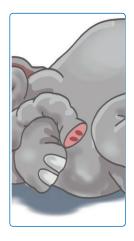
Remember to let your child be teacher. Let them choose a picture and clap out the word while you take the steps. See if they an spot your 'mistakes'.

Variations:

To make this game easier take the steps with your child saying each syllable as you take each step.

To make this game harder ask your child to take the picture and then take the steps without you clapping the word out first.







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