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## Grade 4: Weekly Word Study Focus

### Lesson 21: Lexicon Lab 1

*The Lexicon Lab is a series of 10 lessons in which your child will have the opportunity to review and apply his or her word study knowledge on a deeper level.*

#### Syllable Mapping

**Note:** Prior to beginning this activity, detach the Weekly Words table and Syllable Mapping Answer Key by cutting along the dotted line. The Weekly Words table includes each word you will say to your child during the activity. After the activity, have your child use the Syllable Mapping Answer Key to check his or her work.

Guide your child to map the syllables in each of the Weekly Words by saying “Let’s practice spelling the Weekly Words.” Then read these steps to your child:

1. I’ll say a word and you’ll repeat it.
2. Tap 1 box and place a dot in the corner for each syllable you hear.
3. For each syllable, say the sounds, write the letters, and then say the syllable type while showing its gesture.
4. Write the Weekly Word in the last column and then read it aloud.

Syllable 1	Syllable 2	Syllable 3	Syllable 4	Word

(Cut carefully along the dotted line.)

Weekly Words	
deploy	simulate
elaborate	spectacular
credible	discourage

Syllable Mapping Answer Key			
Syllable 1	Syllable 2	Syllable 3	Syllable 4
de	ploy		
sim	u	late	
e	lab	or	ate
spec	tac	u	lar
cred	i	ble	
dis	cour	age	

## Syllable Sort

Guide your child to complete this Syllable Sort by saying “Let’s sort words.” Then read these steps to your child:

1. Look at each word.
2. Find the vowel letters and underline them.
3. Use your knowledge of phonics, syllable patterns, and affixes to help you decide where to draw lines to divide the syllables.
4. For **each** syllable, identify its syllable type, write the syllable in the correct column, and then read the syllable.

Word	Closed	Silent-e	Open	Vowel Team	Vowel-r	C-le	Irregular
simulate							
spectacular							
credible							
deploy							
elaborate*							
discourage							

\*This week, the word *elaborate* is used as an adjective.

## Read Phrases

Guide your child through reading phrases by saying “Let’s read phrases. Point to the first phrase. Read across each row. Ready?”

credible information	to simulate stone	deploy the team	his elaborate story	a credible witness
had elaborate plans	to discourage you	simulate the sound	spectacular show	deploy at dawn

## Weekly Word Matching

Write each word from the tables below on its own sticky note or index card. Then write each word’s definition on another sticky note or index card. Finally, have your child match each word with its definition or use all the cards to play Memory.

<b>deploy</b>	to use away from
<b>elaborate</b>	made by working out (in great detail)
<b>credible</b>	able to believe or trust

<b>simulate</b>	to make a copy
<b>spectacular</b>	relating to a public show or display
<b>discourage</b>	absent of heart or not in a (good) state of mind

Word	Closed	Silent-e	Open	Vowel Team	Vowel-r	C-le	Irregular
sim	late	n	n	lar	ble	ploy	rate
spec	tac	n	n	lar	ble	ploy	rate
cred	ible	!	de	ploy	ble	ploy	rate
dis	age	age	age	age	age	age	age

Answer Key: Syllable Sort

