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Grade 5: 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	Syllable 5	Syllable 6	Word

(Cut carefully along the dotted line.)

Weekly Words	
antibiotic	microbiologist
microscope	adaptable
microbiome	humidity

Syllable Mapping Answer Key					
Syllable 1	Syllable 2	Syllable 3	Syllable 4	Syllable 5	Syllable 6
an	ti	bi	ot	ic	
mi	cro	bi	ol	o	gist
mi	cro	scope			
a	dapt	a	ble		
mi	cro	bi	ome		
hu	mid	i	ty		

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
microbiome							
adaptable							
antibiotic							
microscope							
microbiologist							
humidity							

Read Phrases

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

take an antibiotic	our microbiome is	is highly adaptable	be a microbiologist	ocean humidity
under the microscope	heat and humidity	antibiotic will treat	microscope will see	must be adaptable

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.

Antibiotic	having the characteristic of being against life (of microbes)
microscope	To see (something) small
microbiome	small natural life zone

microbiologist	one who studies small life
adaptable	able to fit or can adjust
humidity	condition of being moist or wet (in the air)

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				o	mi	cro	bi	ol gīst
				ti	bi	mi	cro	an tī bī ōt īc
				a	a	dapt		ā dāpt ā blē
				bi	mi	cro	ome	mi cro bī ōme
Irregular	C-le	Vowel-r	Vowel Team	Open	Silent-e	Closed	Word	
Answer Key: Syllable Sort								