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Grade 5: Weekly Word Study Focus

Lesson 23: Lexicon Lab 3

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

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(Cut carefully along the dotted line.)

Weekly Words	
nocturnal	estivate
expedition	permeate
vacate	obstacle

Syllable Mapping Answer Key			
Syllable 1	Syllable 2	Syllable 3	Syllable 4
noc	tur	nal	
es	ti	vate	
ex	pe	di	tion
per	me	ate	
va	cate		
ob	sta	cle	

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
expedition							
nocturnal							
vacate							
estivate							
obstacle							
permeate							

Read Phrases

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

on his expedition	estivate in the summer	it is nocturnal	permeate the air	expedition to explore
begin to permeate	vacate the premises	a small obstacle	snails will estivate	a nocturnal creature

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.

nocturnal	relating to night
estivate	to cause to pass the summer
expedition	state of being out on foot

permeate	to cause to pass through
vacate	to cause to leave empty
obstacle	(something that) stands against

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Irregular	C-le	Vowel-r	Vowel Team	Open	Silent-e	Closed	Word
Answer Key: Syllable Sort							