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Grade 5: Weekly Word Study Focus

Lesson 28: Lexicon Lab 8

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	
compress	erosion
endemic	topography
biologist	environment

Syllable Mapping Answer Key			
Syllable 1	Syllable 2	Syllable 3	Syllable 4
com	press		
e	ro	sion	
en	dem	ic	
to	pog	ra	phy
bi	ol	o	gist
en	vi	ron	ment

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
environment							
biologist							
topography							
endemic							
erosion							
compress							

Read Phrases

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

topography of the area	compress the surface	endemic to our nation	biologist or scientist
the loving environment	a top marine biologist	erosion of the hillside	the river's topography

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.

compress	to press together
endemic	having the characteristic of the people or location that is near
biologist	one who studies life

erosion	action of wearing out
topography	characterized by being written (on the surface) of a location
environment	state of being surrounded

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Answer Key: Syllable Sort							