

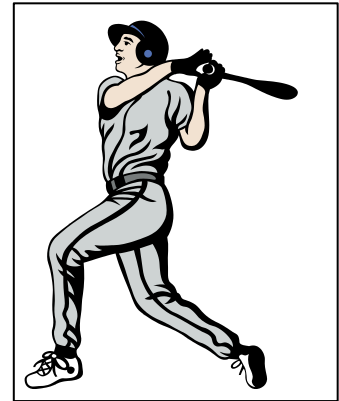
Syllable Type Baseball

Coaches train players to recognize pitcher clues. This game trains players to recognize syllable clues!

Batters learn to “read” pitchers the way we read syllables.

They may recognize a certain way a pitcher looks when he’s about to pitch a curve ball.

If they notice, they’ll be ready. When you recognize syllable type clues, challenging words will be much easier to read and to spell.



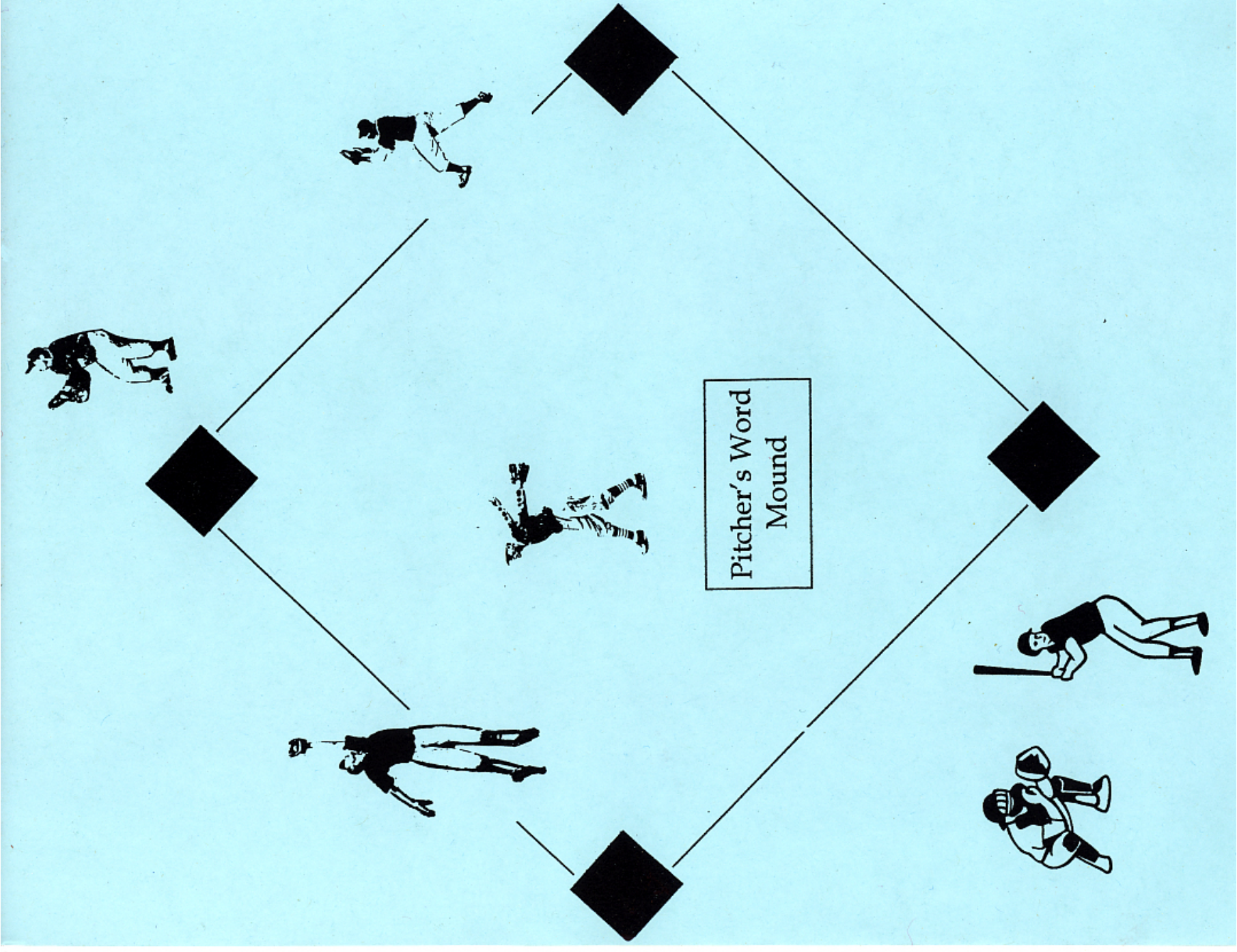
Directions:

- Cut out the word cards and place them upside down in a pile on the “Pitcher’s Word Mound” or on the table below the game board.
- Place the four runner cards at home plate and spread out the syllable type cards to one side.
- In each turn, the player at bat draws the top word card. Next the player decides what is the syllable type of the underlined syllable. The Syllable Type cards will give hints as well as directions for how to move around the bases if that turns out to be the syllable type of the underlined syllable.
- Finally, the word is placed on a runner card and moved around the number of bases indicated on the Syllable Type card.
- All runner cards that are already on base move when pushed ahead by the word just behind them. Once pushed to home base they score a run.
- Each player gets to play four word cards for each time at bat. The winner is the one with most runs when time is up.

Syllable Type Runner Cards to cut out and laminate
for Syllable Type Baseball



Open Syllable Words	<u>s</u>piral	<u>b</u>ecause	<u>r</u>aven
	<u>w</u>ading	<u>p</u>ilot	<u>h</u>uman
Closed Syllable Words	<u>p</u>retzel	ten<u>n</u>is	<u>t</u>rump<u>e</u>t
	in<u>v</u>ented	<u>s</u>tranded	<u>p</u>ump<u>k</u>in
Magic-e Words	com<u>p</u>lete	cap<u>s</u>ize	ump<u>i</u>re
	bes<u>i</u>de	rept<u>i</u>le	<u>t</u>imeless
R-controlled Words	mon<u>s</u>ter	cid<u>e</u>r	scoot<u>e</u>r
	<u>c</u>ircus	<u>f</u>armer	dist<u>u</u>rb
Vowel Team Words	<u>b</u>eaver	ex<u>cl</u>aim	cart<u>oo</u>n
	<u>p</u>ointed	<u>m</u>aybe	<u>l</u>aundry
C-le Words	baff<u>l</u>e	sprink<u>l</u>e	rum<u>bl</u>e
	sadd<u>l</u>e	eag<u>l</u>e	rid<u>dl</u>e



1. Open Syllable -
no door!

A vowel that's last
says its name with a blast!



fly

Hit a fly ball!
Go around the bases, and
anyone on base gets a run.

2. Closed Syllable

Vowels closed in by consonant
doors can only say their
short sounds.



cat

Closed in at first

3. Vowel-consonant-e
Syllable

A magic-e at the end makes
the vowel long.



kite

Strike out; no one moves.

4. Vowel Team syllable

Vowels team up to
make one sound.



boat

Team play; all players take
two bases.

5. R-Controlled Syllable

Bossy R makes vowels
sound his way.

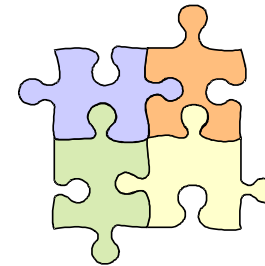


horse

Runner slides into third.

6. Consonant-le Syllable

Every syllable needs a vowel, and
e helps an l-blend obey that rule.



puzzle

Pitcher fumbles; runner
gets to first base.

