

LITERACY - PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

Counting Syllables

64 words over eight sheets

elephant

Clap the word. One clap, two claps, three. Syllables are the chunks a long word breaks into, and a child who can hear them can spell words far longer than they can sound out.

Say each word slowly with a hand under the chin: the chin drops once for every syllable, which settles most arguments.

A4 - black ink only - ages 5-7

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

cat

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

dog

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1

☐

2

☐

3

sun

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

tree

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

book

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

fish

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

hand

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

milk

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

rabbit

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

pencil

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

basket

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

window

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

garden

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

monkey

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

yellow

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

table

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

elephant

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

umbrella

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

banana

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

computer

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

butterfly

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

dinosaur

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

family

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

holiday

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

apple

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

orange

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

carrot

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

water

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

crocodile

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

telephone

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

kangaroo

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

chocolate

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

bed

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

chair

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

clock

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

door

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

frog

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

green

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

house

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

king

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

kitten

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

ladder

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

mountain

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

napkin

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

paper

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

rocket

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

summer

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

tiger

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

animal

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

bicycle

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

camera

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

december

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

energy

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

gorilla

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

hospital

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

important

☐	☐	☐
1	2	3

How many claps?

Say the word, clap the beats, then tick the number of claps.

bread

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

cheese

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

plate

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

spoon

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

balloon

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

candle

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

dragon

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

engine

☐

1

☐

2

☐

3

Counting syllables

For the grown-up.

Sheet 1: cat 1 dog 1 sun 1 tree 1 book 1 fish 1 hand 1 milk 1

Sheet 2: rabbit 2 pencil 2 basket 2 window 2 garden 2 monkey 2 yellow 2 table 2

Sheet 3: elephant 3 umbrella 3 banana 3 computer 3 butterfly 3 dinosaur 3 family 3 holiday 3

Sheet 4: apple 2 orange 2 carrot 2 water 2 crocodile 3 telephone 3 kangaroo 3 chocolate 3

Sheet 5: bed 1 chair 1 clock 1 door 1 frog 1 green 1 house 1 king 1

Sheet 6: kitten 2 ladder 2 mountain 2 napkin 2 paper 2 rocket 2 summer 2 tiger 2

Sheet 7: animal 3 bicycle 3 camera 3 december 3 energy 3 gorilla 3 hospital 3 important 3

Sheet 8: bread 1 cheese 1 plate 1 spoon 1 balloon 2 candle 2 dragon 2 engine 2