

Grade 3: Weekly Phonics Focus Lesson 23

In our classroom this week, we are learning to read and spell **vowel-r, simple multisyllable words**. Here are the patterns to practice this week:

Vowel-r Syllables	Vowel-r syllables have 1 vowel sound spelled with 1 or 2 vowels and the consonant <i>r</i> , which affects the way the vowel sound is pronounced. The consonant <i>w</i> before the vowel-r pattern changes the a-r and o-r vowel sounds.
Vowel-r, Simple Multisyllable	In a multisyllable word with the vowel-r pattern, 1 or more syllables follow the vowel-r pattern. There are two consonants between the vowels.

Here are some examples of words with the vowel-r, simple multisyllable pattern:

carpet	comfort	<u>war</u> ning	worsen	border	dirty	turnip
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Below are activities to practice at home this week. You may also use the activities and questions from the initial *Family Support Letter* to further address your child's success in learning the weekly phonics focus.

Read Words

Guide your child through reading simple multisyllable words with the vowel-r pattern by saying, "Let's read some multisyllable words." Read these steps to your child:

- 1. Find the vowels and underline them. If there is a consonant *r* following the vowel underline it as part of the vowel sound.
- 2. Remember that the r is part of the vowel sound, but it is still considered a consonant when we think about where to divide the word.
- 3. Read each syllable, then read the whole word.

curfew sup	port person	affirm	tardy
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Build Words

Guide your child through building simple multisyllable words with the vowel-r pattern by saying, "Let's build some multisyllable words." Read these steps to your child.

- 1. Read all the syllables in each list.
- 2. Choose a syllable from the First Syllables list. Write it in the My Words box.
- 3. Then, try different syllables from the Second Syllables list until you build a word you know. Write the second syllable next to the first syllable in the My Words box to make a multisyllable word.
- 4. Read the multisyllable word you built.

First Syllables
ven
re
wor
per

Second Syllables
mark
dor
fume
ry

My Words
Words

Find Words

As you work with your child in the content areas of math, science, and social studies, be on the lookout for words that are <u>vowel-r, simple multisyllable</u> <u>words</u>. Keep a list of the words you find. Then, ask your child to guide *you* through the process of dividing and reading the words.

Read Words Answer Key: cur|few, sup|port, per|son, af|firm, tar|dy Build Words Answer Key: vendor, remark, worry, perfume