

# Syllable Clap, Stomp, or Jump Activity

## Objective

Students will practice segmenting words into syllables

## Ages

3-6 years old

## Materials

List of 5-10 words to use (1-4 syllable words; depending on age and ability level)

## How to Play

1. Say a word aloud (e.g., "picnic") and have the children repeat the word
2. Model breaking the word into syllables (e.g., "pic" "nic"). Clap your hands, stomp your feet or jump as you say each syllable
3. Then have the students join in clapping, stomping, or jumping as you say the word again, one syllable at a time
4. Optional - count the number of claps, jumps, or stomps for each word
5. Repeat the process for another word

## Variations and Extensions

- Use the students' names for the words!
- Have the students take turns showing how to break the word into syllables before the rest of the class joins in
- If a student wants to try but is having trouble, you can model that word for them, have them try it with you, and then have them try it on their own