

Syllable Formation & Rules

Lesson 9

Syllable Formation

A syllable is a single sound expressed by one formation of the mouth.
When the mouth has to reform, a new syllable is formed.

Syllable Rules

Syllable Rule #1:

A word has as many syllables as vowels or diphthongs in it.
Therefore, there is only one vowel or diphthong in a syllable.

Syllable Rule #2:

A consonant between two vowels goes with the vowel to the right.

Syllable Rule #3:

Two consonants divide, except at the beginning of a word or syllable.

Syllable Rule #4:

When you have three consonants together, the first two divide according to Rule #3 and the second and third consonants go together, again according to Rule #3.