

Student Name _____ Date _____

Zoo Mix-Up

Dear Parent,

We are learning to break long words into chunks (syllables) to make it easier to read them.

I hope you enjoy this activity with me. This assignment is due _____.

Sincerely,

Student Signature

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Syllables are small parts of a large word that we say or read.

For example, the word **rabbit** has two syllables — **rab** **bit**

You can hear the syllables if you read a word aloud.

Read a word that has two consonants in the middle

rabbit

rab bit
 

Read a word with an ending added on

singing

sing ing
 

Read a word with a vowel that says its name

baby

ba by
 

Read a word that includes a vowel that says its sound

exit

ex it
 

LET'S DO THIS

Work with a family partner. Who is working with you? _____

Pretend you went to the zoo with your family partner.

Read the names of the animals you see at the zoo aloud to your family partner.
Together clap out the syllables you hear.

hippo

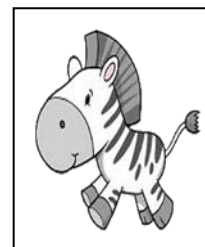
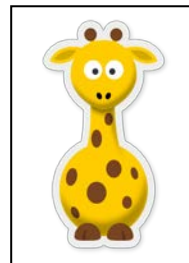
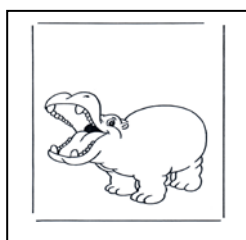
monkey

lion

panda

giraffe

zebra



LET'S FIND OUT

Oh no! The syllables of the zoo animals got mixed up!

With your family partner, solve the puzzle.

Combine the 1st and 2nd syllables of each animal's name to write the real name on the lines, below. You may solve the puzzle in any order.

There are 3 new zoo animals in the box. Can you figure them out?

The first one is done for you.

1 st syllable			2 nd syllable		
mon	pan	li	key	affe	ard
gir	hip	ze	da	ger	on
ti	liz	bob	po	bra	cat

giraffe

With your family partner. Take turns naming other zoo animals.

Say the name of the animal and clap out the syllables.

Can you name an animal with 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 syllables?

HOME-TO-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Dear Parent,

Please give your reactions to your child's work on this activity.

Write YES or NO for each statement.

- _____ 1. My child understood the homework and was able to complete it.
- _____ 2. My child and I enjoyed the activity.
- _____ 3. This assignment helped me know what my child is learning in class.

Comment _____

Parent Signature _____