

## Developing Accuracy and Fluency - Word Profiles

Key for Word Origin: AS: Anglo Saxon, OE: Old English, ME: Middle English, L: Latin, F: French, MG: Middle German, MD: Middle Dutch

### ***New Glasses***

Word ..... **slip**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable Type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME *slippe*; MG or MD *slippen*  
 Derivatives ..... slips, slipping, slipped, slipless, slippery, slippingly  
 Figurative Language ..... slips one's mind, a slip of the tongue, slipped out, pink slip, slip up, slip away, slip through the cracks, let slip, slip something over on, slippery slide

### ***The Drip***

Word ..... **sink**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable Type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME *sinken*; OE *sincan*  
 Derivatives ..... sinks, sinking, sinker, sinkable, sinkage  
 Figurative Language ..... sinking feeling, sinks one's teeth into

### ***A Picnic in the Park***

Word ..... **fork**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Vowel-*r*  
 Origin ..... ME *forke*; OE *forca*  
 Derivatives ..... forks, forked, forkless  
 Figurative Language ..... fork in the road, fork over

## **Dinner**

Word ..... **mint**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable Type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME *minten*; OE *mytan*  
 Derivatives ..... mints, minting, minted, mintless  
 Figurative Language ..... be in mint condition, be minting it, to make a mint

## **Storms**

Word ..... **quake**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 5  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable Type ..... Vowel-consonant-e  
 Origin ..... ME *quaken*; OE *cwacian*  
 Derivatives ..... quakes, quaking, quaked  
 Figurative Language ..... quake in one's boots

## **The Squid**

Word ..... **ship**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... unknown  
 Derivatives ..... ships, shipped, shipping, shipper  
 Figurative Language ..... jump ship, be like ships passing in the night, run a tight ship, a sinking ship, when your ship comes in, shape up or ship out

## Think!

Word ..... **bark**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Vowel-*r*  
 Origin ..... ME *berken*; OE *beorcan*  
 Derivatives ..... barks, barked, barking, barker, barkless  
 Figurative Language ..... barking up the wrong tree, bark at the moon, someone's bark is worse than their bite, barking mad

## The Sad, Lonely Duck

Word ..... **play**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Vowel Pair  
 Origin ..... ME *pleye*; OE *plega*  
 Derivatives ..... plays, playing, played, player, playful, playfulness, playfully  
 Figurative Language ..... play with fire, play the field, play with a full deck, play hard to get, play second fiddle, play by ear, play both ends against the middle, playing possum, level the playing field, play someone for a fool, two can play at that game, play devil's advocate, play into someone's hands, play your cards right

Word .....	<b>sleep</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	4
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	4
Syllable Type .....	Vowel Pair
Origin .....	ME <i>slepe</i> ; OE <i>sleapen</i>
Derivatives .....	sleeps, sleeping, sleeper, sleepless, sleepy, sleepiness
Figurative Language .....	let sleeping dogs lie, sleep on it, sleep like a rock/log, not lose sleep over, could do something in your sleep, beauty sleep, not sleep a wink, put to sleep, to sleep very deeply

Word .....	<b>line</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	3
Letters .....	4
Graphemes .....	3
Syllable Type .....	Vowel-consonant-e
Origin .....	ME/OE <i>line</i> ; OF <i>ligne</i>
Derivatives .....	lines, lining, lined, liner, lineless
Figurative Language .....	lay it on the line, toe the line, line one's pockets, draw the line, read between the lines, out of line, hold the line, in the line of duty, cross the line, bottom line, put your life on the line, walk a thin line, draw a line in the sand, drop someone a line

## ***My Dog Buster***

Word ..... **fun**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 3  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... Variant of ME *fon* “befool”  
 Derivatives ..... funny, funnier  
 Figurative Language ..... getting there is half the fun, in fun, make fun of someone/  
 something, it was fun while it lasted, be more fun than a barrel  
 of monkeys, not be all fun and games, time flies when you’re  
 having fun

## ***Fun at Camp***

Word ..... **time**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable Type ..... Vowel-consonant-e  
 Origin ..... ME/OE *tima*  
 Derivatives ..... times, timing, timer, timeless, timely, timeliness  
 Figurative Language ..... in the nick of time, behind the times, make up for lost time, take  
 ones time, time of one’s life, long time no see, hard times, serve  
 time, time after time, pass the time, pressed for time, crunch  
 time, at the same time ahead of time, against time, for the time  
 being, keep time, good times, beat someone’s time, on time

## **Messes by Sweetie**

Word .....	<b>count</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	4
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	4
Syllable Type .....	Vowel Pair
Origin .....	Late ME <i>counte</i> ; OF <i>conten</i>
Derivatives .....	counts, counting, counted, counter, countless
Figurative Language .....	count yourself lucky, count heads, count down, count me in/out, count on, be out for the count, count on the fingers of one's hand, count your blessings, count the cost

## **Greyhounds**

Word .....	<b>learn</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	3
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	3
Syllable Type .....	Vowel-r
Origin .....	ME <i>lernen</i> ; OE <i>leornian</i>
Derivatives .....	learns, learning, learner, learned/learnt, learnable
Figurative Language .....	learn your lesson, live and learn, learn something by heart, learn something the hard way, learn the ropes

## **Frog Facts**

Word .....	<b>treat</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	4
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	4
Syllable Type .....	Vowel Pair
Origin .....	ME <i>treten</i> ; OF <i>tretier</i> , <i>traitier</i> ; L. <i>tractare</i>
Derivatives .....	treats, treating, treated, treaty
Figurative Language .....	a Dutch treat, treat someone with kid gloves, treat someone like dirt/muck, work a treat, trick-or-treat

### ***At the Ocean in the Summer***

Word ..... **rest**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME *rester*; L *restāre*  
 Derivatives ..... rested, resting, restless, rests  
 Figurative language ..... lay to rest, put your mind to rest, eternal rest, give it a rest, rest on your laurels

### ***A Trip to the Dentist***

Word ..... **firm**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-*r*  
 Origin ..... Latin  
 Derivatives ..... firmer, firmest, firmly, firms  
 Figurative language ..... stand firm

### ***The Legless Reptile***

Word ..... **ground**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 5  
 Letters..... 6  
 Graphemes ..... 5  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel Pair  
 Origin ..... ASOE *grindān*, *grund*  
 Derivatives ..... grounded, grounding, grounds, grounder  
 Figurative language ..... from the ground up, give ground, common ground, run into the ground, have your feet on the ground, gain ground, get in on the ground floor, get something off the ground, ground breaking, have your ear to the ground, stand your ground, lose ground, middle ground, on shaky ground, run something into the ground, wish the ground would swallow you up, hit a ground ball/grounder

## ***The Cockroach***

Word ..... **found**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 5  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel Pair  
 Origin ..... ME  
 Derivatives ..... founded, founding, founder  
 Figurative language ..... found object, well-founded, find yourself

## ***Comforting Cocoa***

Word ..... **stick**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 4  
 Letters ..... 5  
 Graphemes ..... 4  
 Syllable type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ASOE *sticca*  
 Derivatives ..... sticker, sticking,  
 Figurative language ..... stick-to-it-ive-ness, stick like glue, stick-um-up, short end of the stick

## ***Sport Fishing***

Word ..... **line**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-consonant-e  
 Origin ..... ME *ligne*  
 Derivatives ..... lines, lined, lining, liner, lineless,  
 Figurative language ..... between the lines, down the line, in line for, on the line, toe the line, draw the line, draw a line in the sand, drop someone a line



## ***Rock Tumbling***

Word .....	<b>rough</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	3
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	3
Syllable type .....	Vowel Pair
Origin .....	OE <i>ruh</i>
Derivatives .....	roughing, roughed, roughs, rougher, roughness
Figurative language .....	rough and ready, diamond in the rough, rough and tumble, rough ride, when the going gets rough, rough edges, rough it, rough someone up

## ***Insights into the Red Fox***

Word .....	<b>coast</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	4
Letters .....	5
Graphemes .....	4
Syllable type .....	Vowel Pair
Origin .....	OF <i>coste</i>
Derivatives .....	coasts, coasting, coasted, coaster, coastless
Figurative language .....	coast to coast, coast through life, the coast is clear

## ***Poison Ivy***

Word .....	<b>scratch</b>
Syllables .....	1
Phonemes .....	5
Letters .....	7
Graphemes .....	5
Syllable type .....	Closed
Origin .....	ME <i>scratten</i>
Derivatives .....	scratches, scratched, scratching, scratcher
Figurative Language .....	scratch the surface, scratch your back, scratch the surface

## ***What Was the Matter with Mark Martin?***

Word ..... **check**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 5  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME *chek*  
 Derivatives ..... checks, checked, checking, checker  
 Figurative language ..... in check, bed check, blank check, body check, check in, bad check

## ***The Fourth of July Parade***

Word ..... **wave**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-consonant-e  
 Origin ..... OE *wafian*; ME *waw*  
 Derivatives ..... waving, waved, waves, waveless  
 Figurative language ..... brain wave, cold wave, heat wave, the wave (cheer in an athletic game)

## ***Clouds***

Word ..... **form**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-*r*  
 Origin ..... L *forma*  
 Derivatives ..... forms, forming, formed, former, deform, reform  
 Figurative language ..... top form, in any way shape or form, true to form

## ***A Visit to the Zoo***

Word ..... **time**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-consonant-e  
 Origin ..... OE *tima*  
 Derivatives ..... times, timer, timing, timeless, timed, timely, untimed  
 Figurative language ..... as time goes by, time to time, time out, time flies, time of your life, in the nick of time, make up for lost time, play for time, pressed for time, a race against time, sign of the times, time on your hands, time of your life, the time is ripe, time is on your side, in your own sweet time

## ***The Life of a Catcher***

Word ..... **charge**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 6  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Vowel-r  
 Origin ..... ME *chargen*  
 Derivatives ..... charges, charger, charging, charged  
 Figurative language ..... in charge, charge account, charge card

## ***The Titanic***

Word ..... **deck**  
 Syllables ..... 1  
 Phonemes ..... 3  
 Letters ..... 4  
 Graphemes ..... 3  
 Syllable type ..... Closed  
 Origin ..... ME  
 Derivatives ..... decked, decking, decks  
 Figurative language ..... on deck, deck chair, flight deck, poop deck, stack the deck