

Consonant

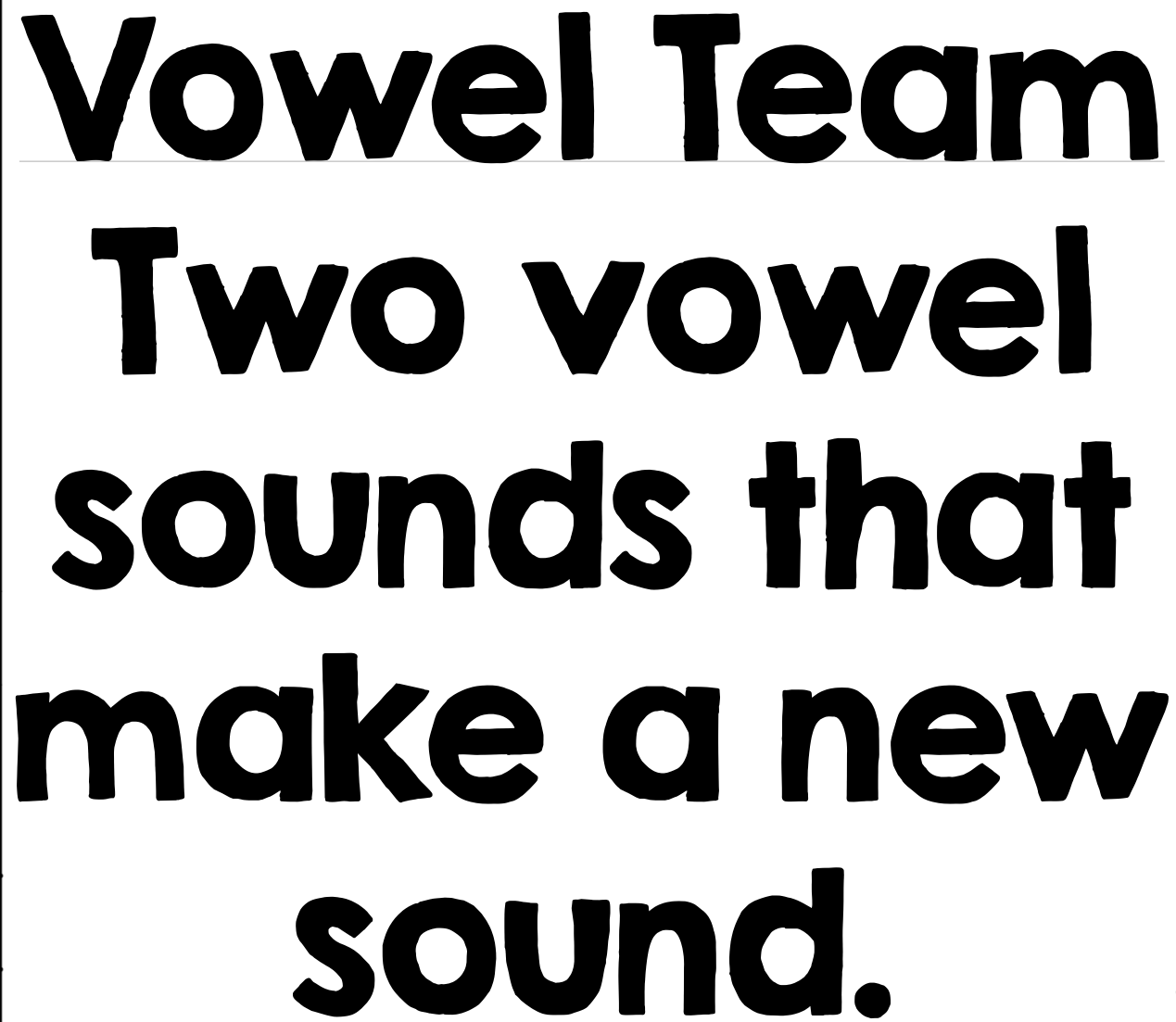
- **a basic speech sound**
- **breath is partly blocked when spoken.**
- **Most of the letters in the alphabet are consonants.**

Vowel

- **A basic speech sound.**
- **Breath is NOT blocked when spoken.**
- **Vowels in the alphabet are a, e, i, o, u and sometimes y.**



Digraph
Two or
more
letters
making
one sound.



Vowel Team
Two vowel
sounds that
make a new
sound.

(The vowel sound
stays the same.)



Diphthong
Two vowel
sounds that
make a new
sound.

(The vowel sound
changes from the first
vowel to the second.)

example: soil

Blend

- **Two or more consonants together.**
- **Each consonant sound is heard.**

Prefix

**An affix at
the
beginning
of a root or
base word.
ex. unlike**

Suffix

**An affix
at the end
of a root
or base
word.**

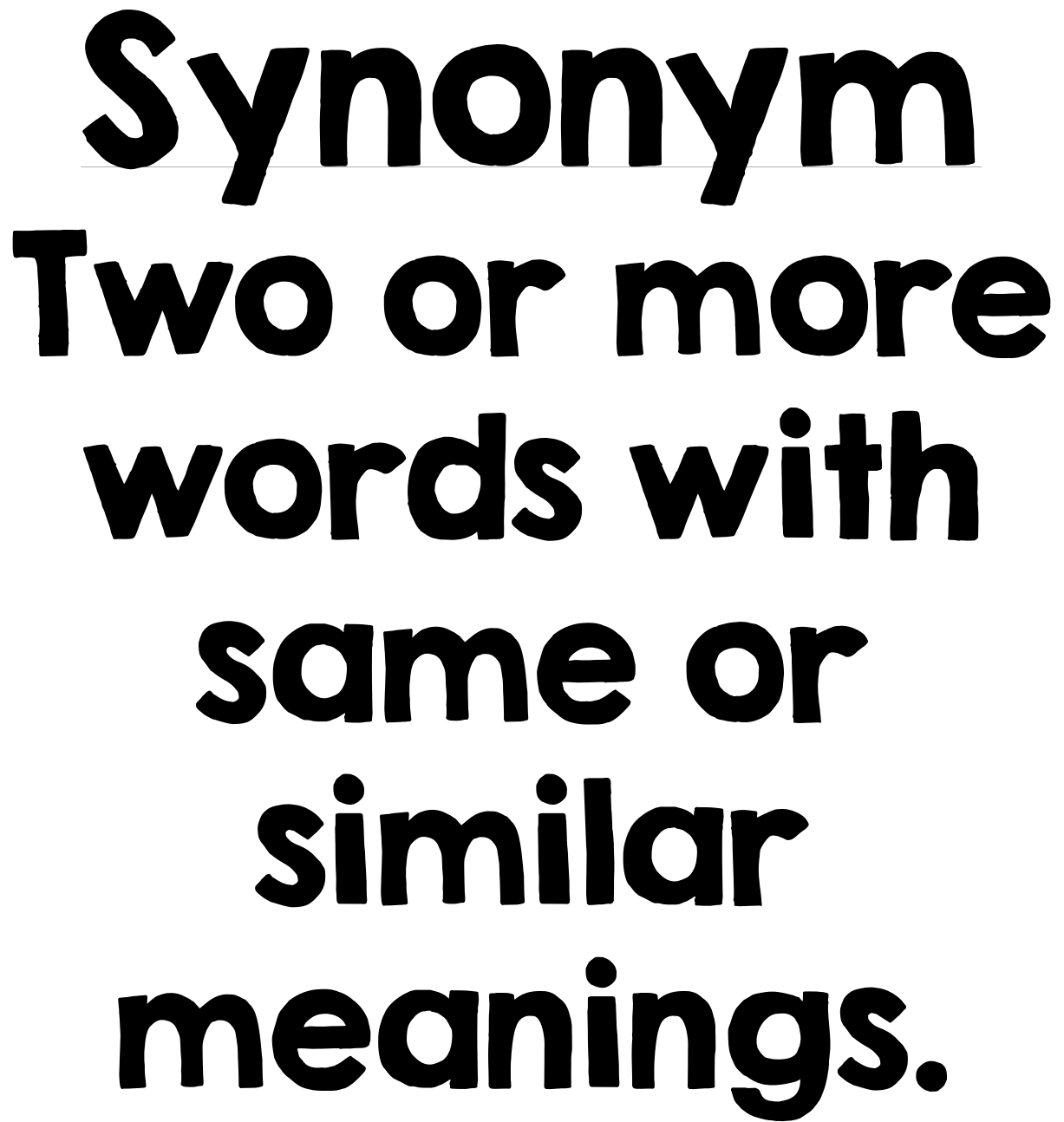
ex. jumping

Base Word

- **Can stand alone.**
- **Can have its own meaning.**
- **Prefixes and Suffixes can be added to it.**

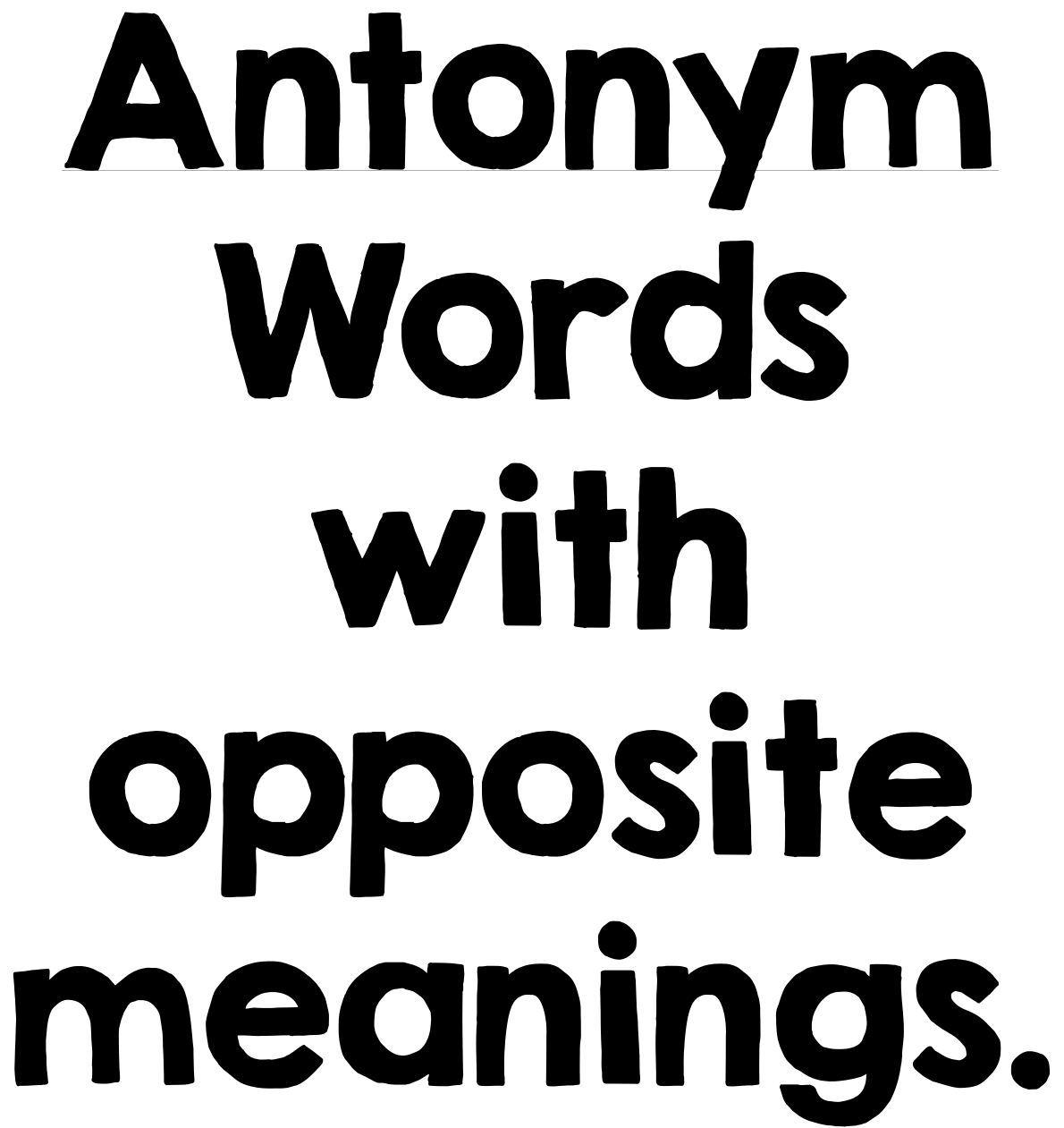
Root

- **The basic form of a word.**
- **Sometimes needs an affix in order to create a new word.**



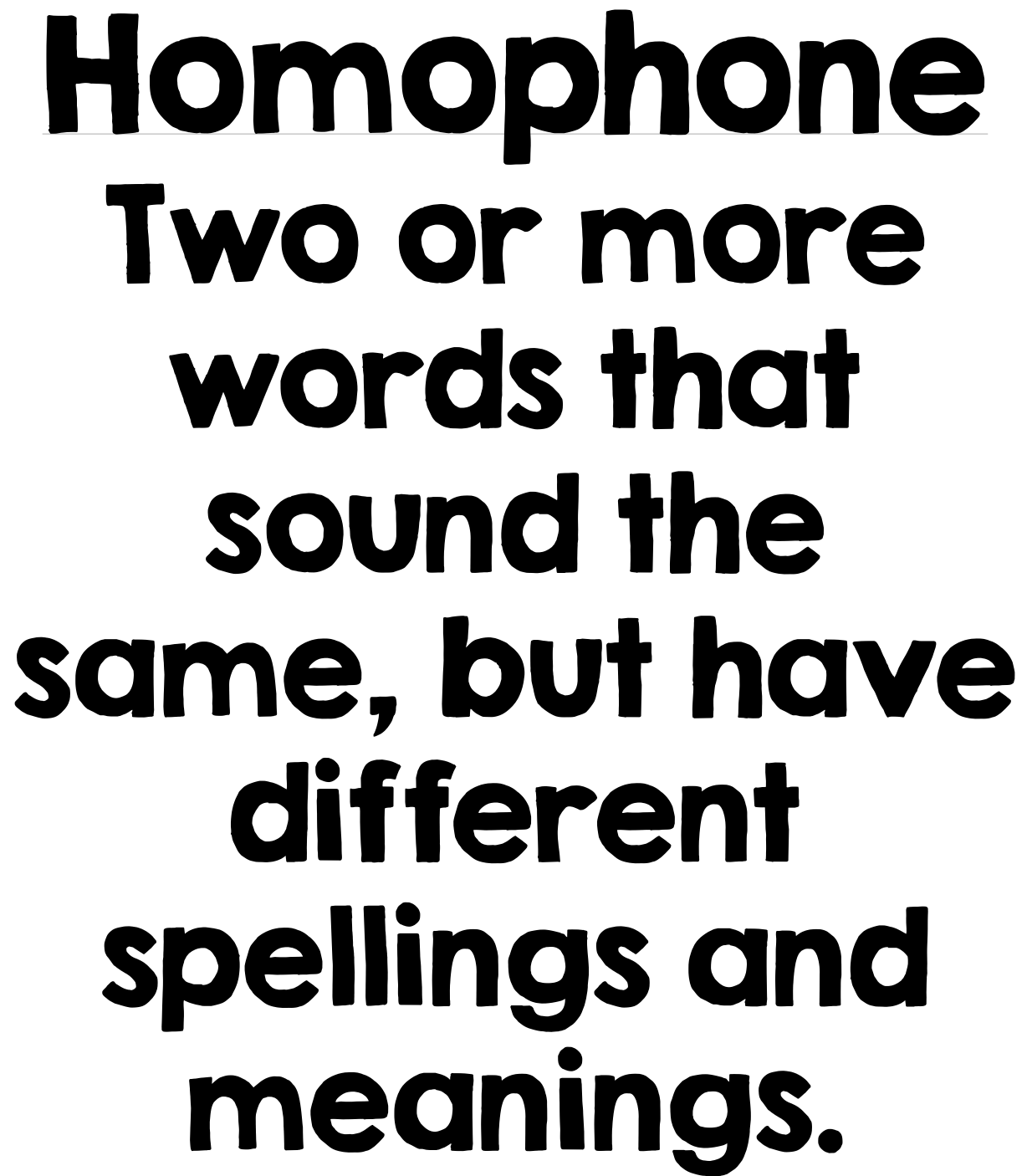
Synonym
Two or more
words with
same or
similar
meanings.

ex. happy/glad



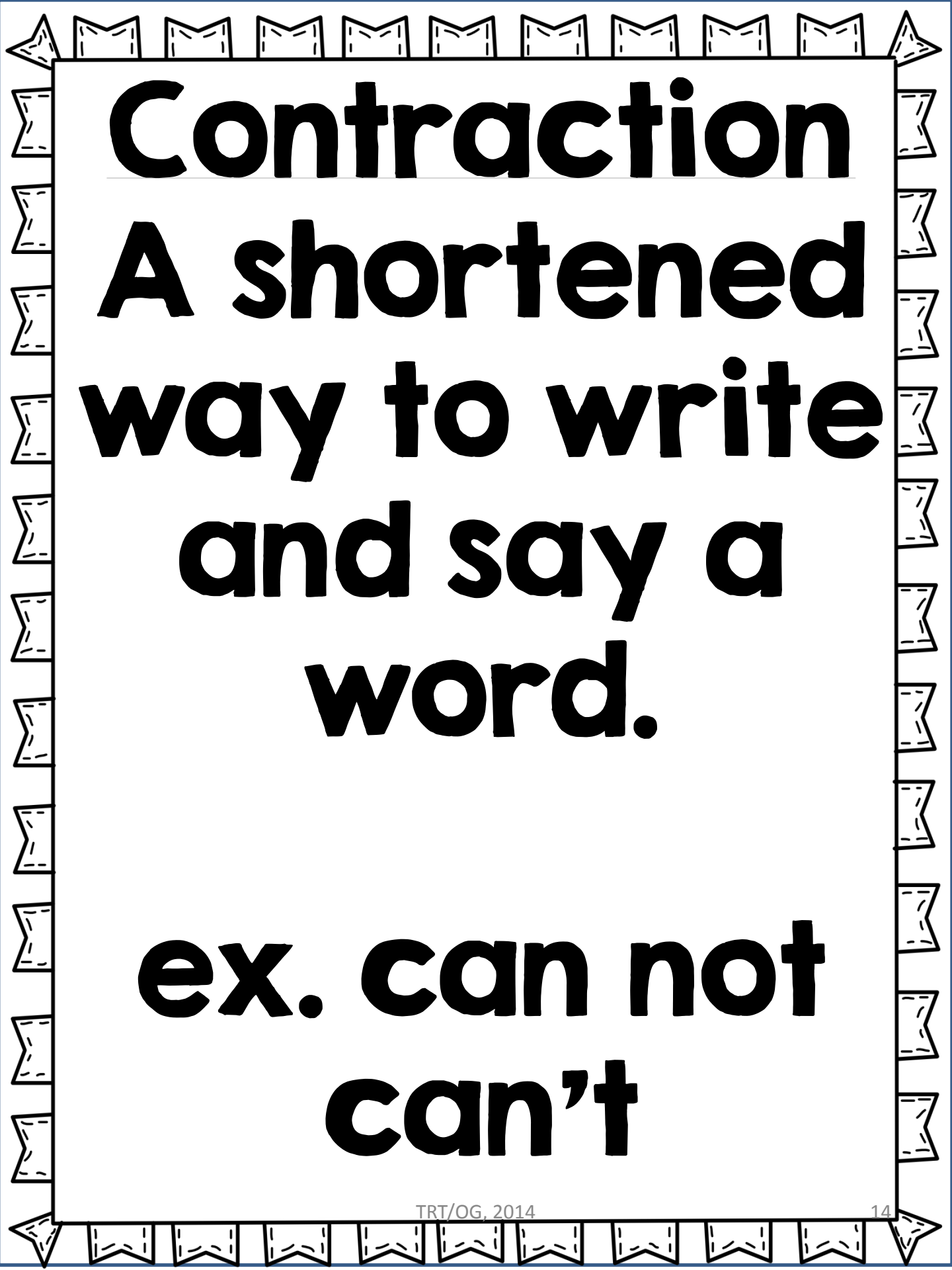
Antonym Words with opposite meanings.

ex. up/down



Homophone
Two or more
words that
sound the
same, but have
different
spellings and
meanings.

ex. mail/male



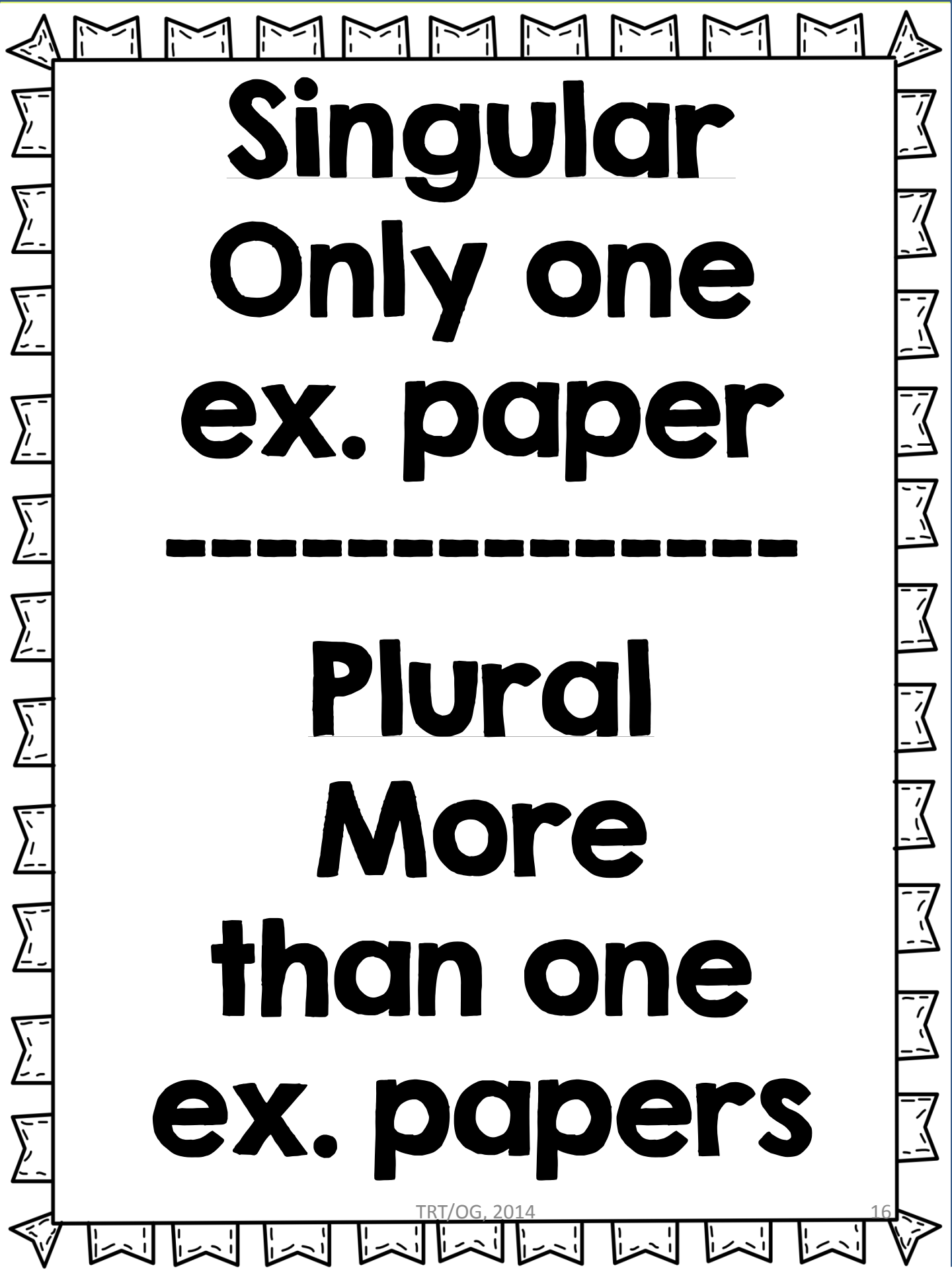
Contraction
A shortened
way to write
and say a
word.

ex. can not
can't

Compound Word

**Two different
words coming
together to
form a new
word.**

**ex. sun + set =
sunset**



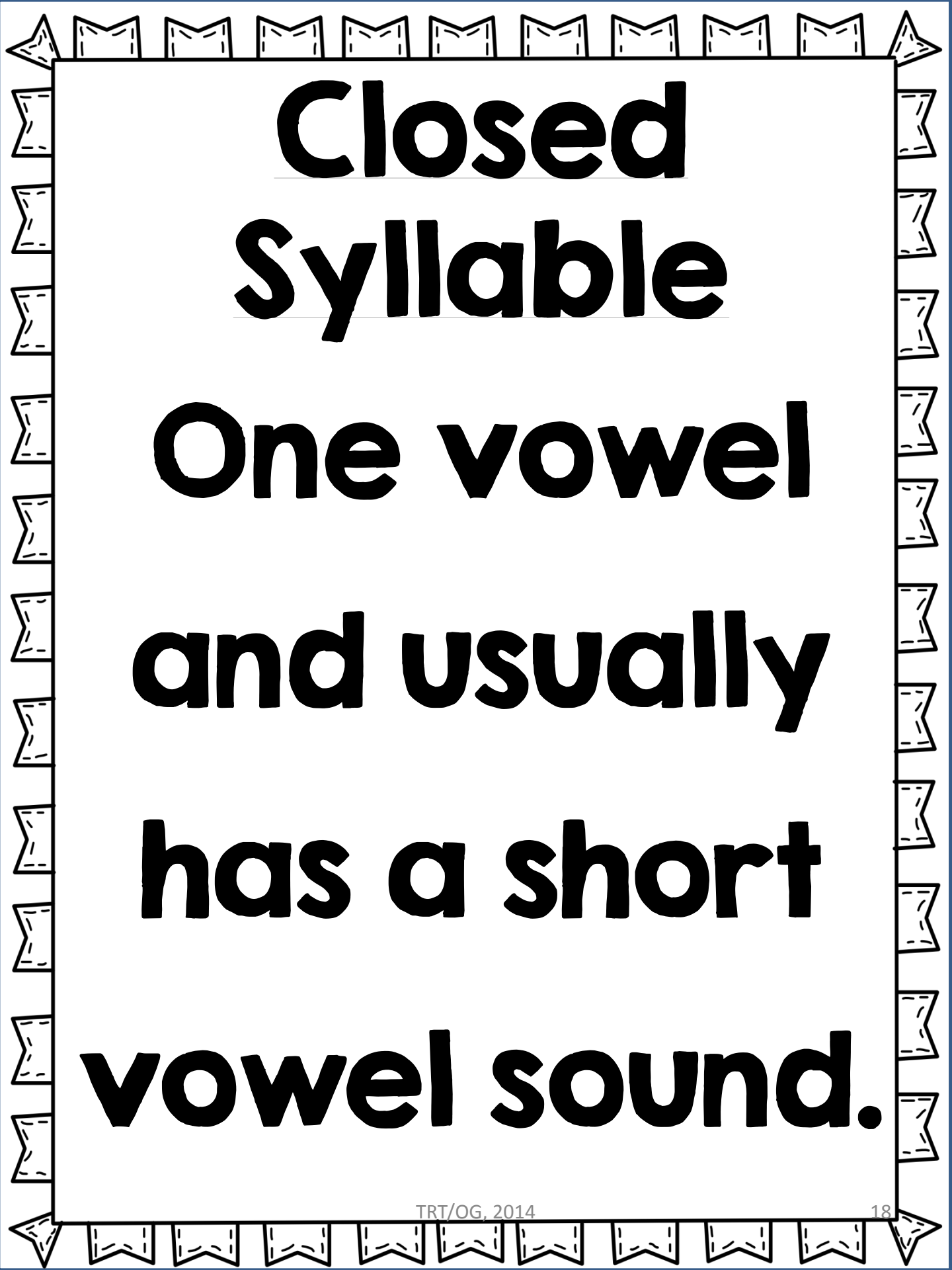
Singular
Only one
ex. paper

Plural
More
than one
ex. papers



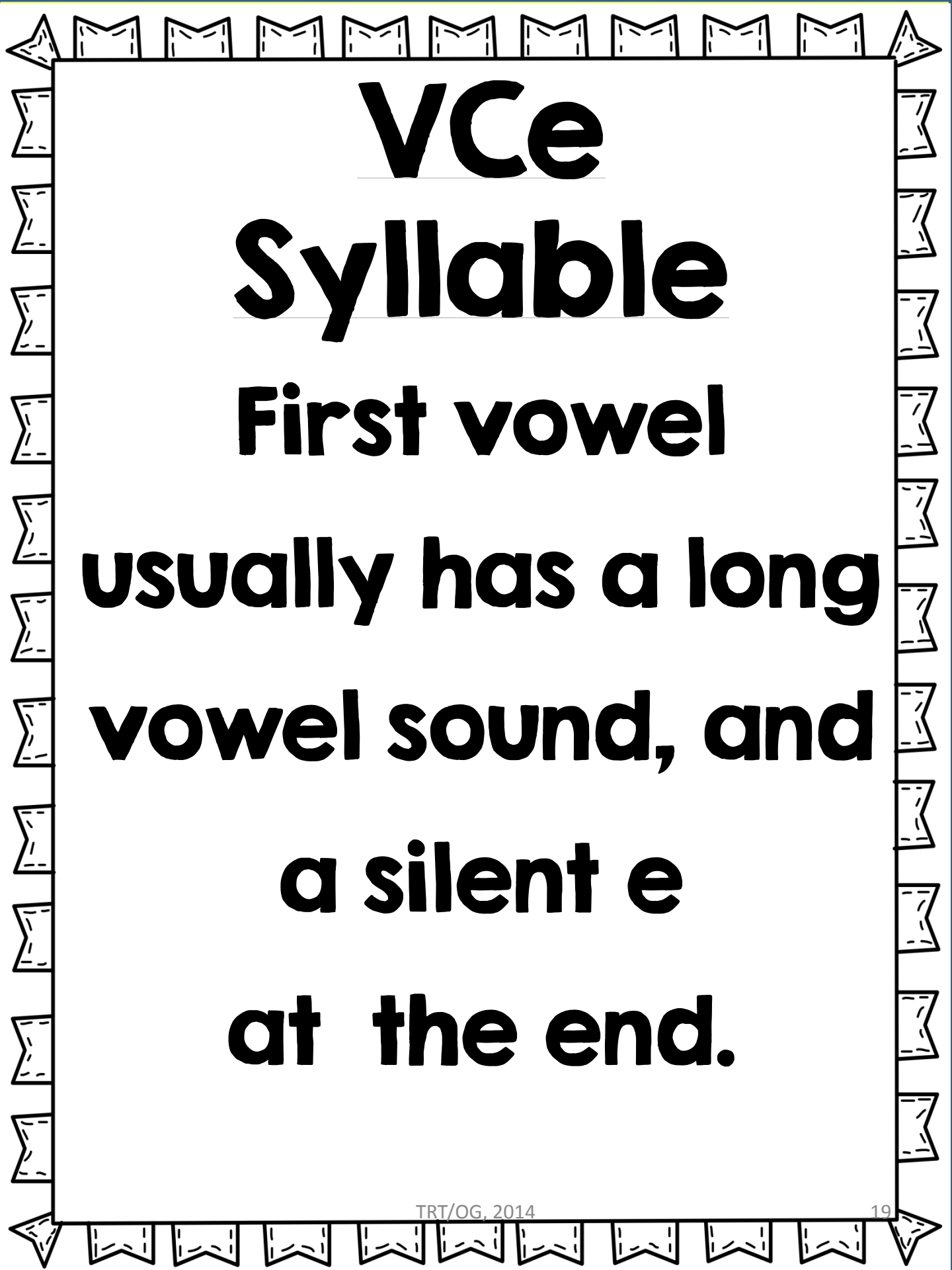
Syllable

**A word or
word part
with at
least one
talking
vowel.**



Closed Syllable

**One vowel
and usually
has a short
vowel sound.**



VCe

Syllable

First vowel

**usually has a long
vowel sound, and
a silent e
at the end.**



Vowel Team

Syllable

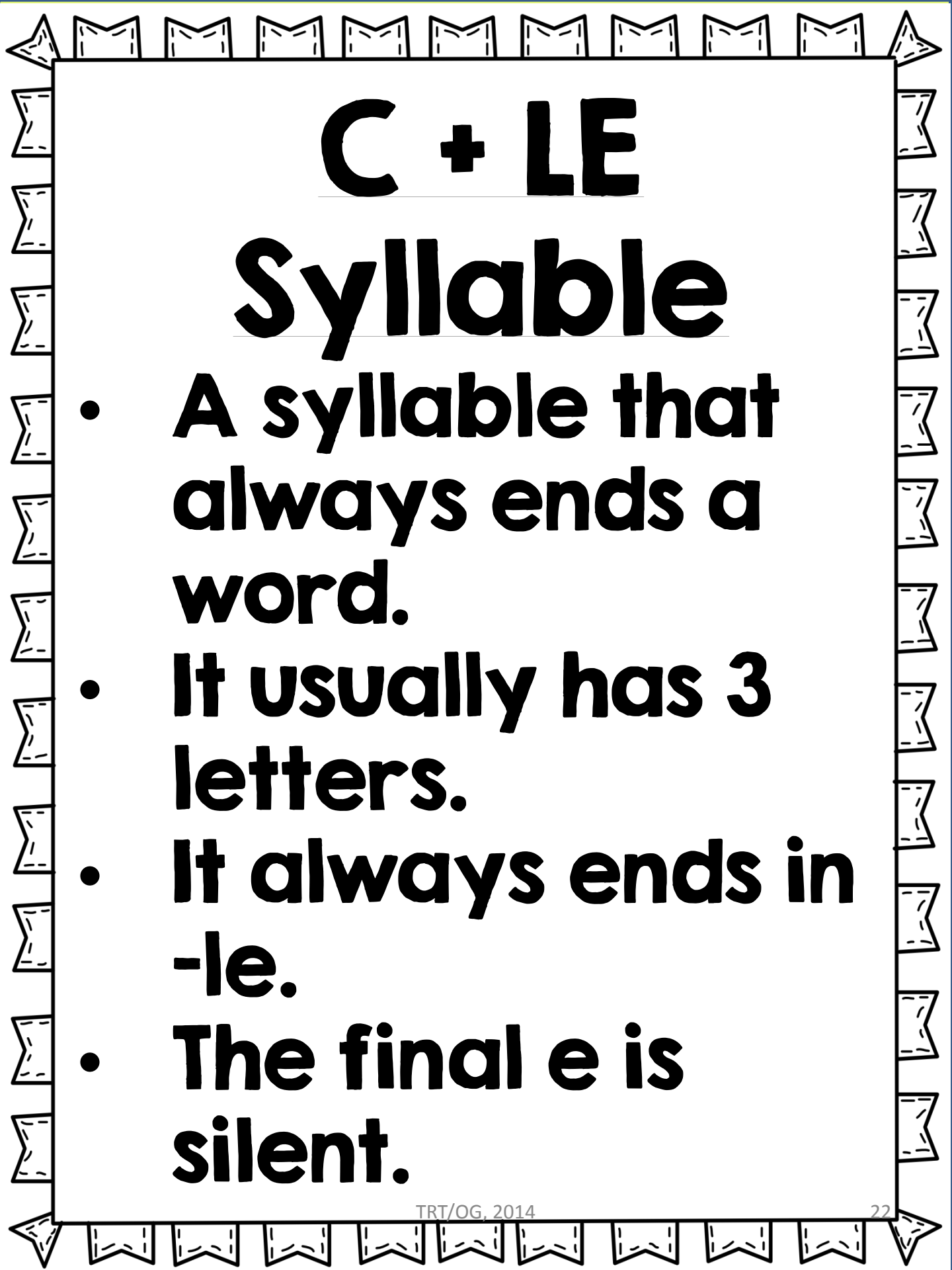
Two vowels
together and
usually has a long
vowel sound.



R-controlled Syllable

**All the vowels
with an -r**

**er, ir, ur, or, ar
ear, our**



C + LE

Syllable

- **A syllable that always ends a word.**
- **It usually has 3 letters.**
- **It always ends in -le.**
- **The final e is silent.**

Syllable Division

VCCV

**Two consonants
between two vowels.**

vc/cv (rab-bit)

vc/cv (up-set)

v/ccv (se-cret)

Syllable Division

VCV

**One consonant
between two vowels.**

v/cv (o-pen)

v/cv (a-like)

vc/v (rob-in)

Syllable Division

VCCCV

**Three consonants
between two vowels.**

vc/ccv (mon-ster)

vc/ccv (com-plete)

vcc/cv (pump-kin)



Spelling Generalization

The Floss Rule:

Double

f, s, l, and z

after a short vowel

in a

one syllable word.



Spelling Generalization

The Doubling Rule:

Double

**the final consonant
if you have a one
syllable word with
one short vowel.**

ex. tap- tapping

Spelling Generalization

- **Y /i/ is usually
in a one
syllable word.**
- **Y /e/ is usually
in a 2 syllable
word.**

Spelling Generalization

k-ck

- **Use k in a silent e syllable, after a vowel team, after a consonant, or r-controlled vowel.**
- **Use ck after a short vowel in a one syllable word.**

Spelling Generalization

ch-tch

- **Use ch at the beginning of a word, after l or n, after a vowel team, or after r controlled vowels.**
- **Use tch usually after a short vowel in a one syllable word, or in the middle of a multi-syllabic word.**

Spelling Generalization

ai-ay

- **Use ai at the beginning or middle of a word.**
- **Use ay at the end of a word.**

Spelling Generalization

OU-OW

- **Use ou at the beginning or middle of a word.**
- **Use ow when followed by l, n, er, or el.**

Spelling Generalization

oa-ow-oe

- **oa- *most common*** Use at beginning or middle of a word.
- **ow-** Use at end of one and two syllable words.
- **oe- *least common*** Only in one syllable words with three letters.

Spelling Generalization

oi-oy

- **Use oi at the beginning or middle of a word.**
- **Use oy at the end of a word.**

Spelling Generalization

au-aw

- **Use au at the beginning or middle of a word.**
- **Use aw usually in the middle or end of one syllable words.**



Spelling Generalization

The Long Vowel Spellings of A

a

baby

a-e

ape

ai

rain

ay

play

eigh

eight

ei

vein

ey

they

ea

steak

The Long Vowel Spellings Of E

e	retell
e-e	Eve
ee	feed
ea	eat
y	windy
ie	piece
ei	ceiling
ey	valley

The Long Vowel Spellings Of

I

i

silent

i-e

pine

igh

light

y

my

ie

pie

y-e

type

The Long Vowel Spellings Of O

o

open

o-e

home

oa

boat

ow

snow

ough

dough

oe

toe

The Long Vowel Spellings Of U

u

cupid

u-e

mule

ue

rescue

ew

chew

eu

Europe

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