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SPELLING: VOWELS IN UNSTRESSED SYLLABLES

The Schwa is the most common vowel sound

- Any vowel can make a schwa sound.
- It sounds like /u/ but weaker.
- It's a lazy sound (you hardly open your mouth).
- It's found in the unaccented syllable.

ba-c<u>ə</u>n "bacun" **cam-<u>ə</u>l** "camul" **hus-b<u>ə</u>nd** "husbund"

LIST WORDS

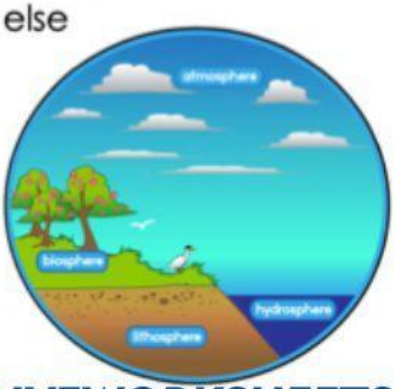
1. different
2. register
3. carnival
4. variety
5. atmosphere
6. favorite
7. pattern
8. understand
9. sentence
10. instance
11. elegant
12. aquarium
13. communicate
14. gasoline
15. factory
16. definite
17. Chicago
18. heavily
19. garage
20. illustrate

Directions: Write the words from the box that have two schwa sounds each.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

Directions: Choose a word from the box that best matches each clue. Write the word on the line.

8. _____ what someone likes best
9. _____ certain; positive
10. _____ tasteful. Well-dressed; handsome
11. _____with weight
12. _____ festival; fair
13. _____sign up for; record one's name
14. _____an example or a case
15. _____mass of gases surrounding a star or planet
16. _____convey your thoughts or ideas to someone else
17. _____ a regular order of design
18. _____ a group of different things
19. _____comprehend; grasp the meaning of
20. _____ show a visual feature; picture



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