

## TIP

When a single consonant comes between two vowels in a word, the word is usually divided after the consonant if the first vowel is short, and before the consonant if the vowel is long.

short first vowel: mod • ern

long first vowel: ma • jur

There are exceptions to the rule, as in wa • ter.

Divide a compound word into two words before dividing it into syllables.

## LIST WORDS

1. *unit*
2. *plastic*
3. *helmet*
4. *mission*
5. *rubble*
6. *splendid*
7. *cover*
8. *dozen*
9. *closet*
10. *divide*
11. *major*
12. *modern*
13. *grandparents*
14. *watermelon*
15. *fingerprints*
16. *posture*
17. *silence*
18. *reduce*
19. *answers*
20. *success*

# Spelling Practice

## Syllables

Write each **list word** under the correct heading. Put a • between the syllables in each word. Use your dictionary for help. Two words will be used more than once.

more than one consonant  
between two vowels

1. \_\_\_\_\_

single consonant  
between two vowels

12. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

13. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

14. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

15. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

16. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

17. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

18. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

19. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

20. \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_

21. \_\_\_\_\_

11. \_\_\_\_\_

22. \_\_\_\_\_

## Answer the Questions

Write the **list word** that answers each question. Write the **list word** on the line.

1. What material might a shower curtain or a soda bottle be made of? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Where are clothes and shoes kept? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who are your parents' parents? your \_\_\_\_\_
4. What do detectives hope to find when trying to solve a crime? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What's left when there's no sound? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What must a bike rider wear on his or her head? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What does a big earthquake leave behind? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What's a large fruit that's green on the outside and pink and juicy on the inside?  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. What usually follows questions? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What's the opposite of failure? \_\_\_\_\_



## Mixed-Up Syllables

The syllables in the nonsense words below have become mixed up. Put them back in their proper order to form **list words**. Write the words on the lines below.

1. u • sion	mis • nit	_____	_____
2. ma • zen	do • jor	_____	_____
3. splen • vide	di • did	_____	_____
4. mod • ture	pos • ern	_____	_____
5. re • ver	co • duce	_____	_____