



Objective

The student will segment syllables in words.

Materials

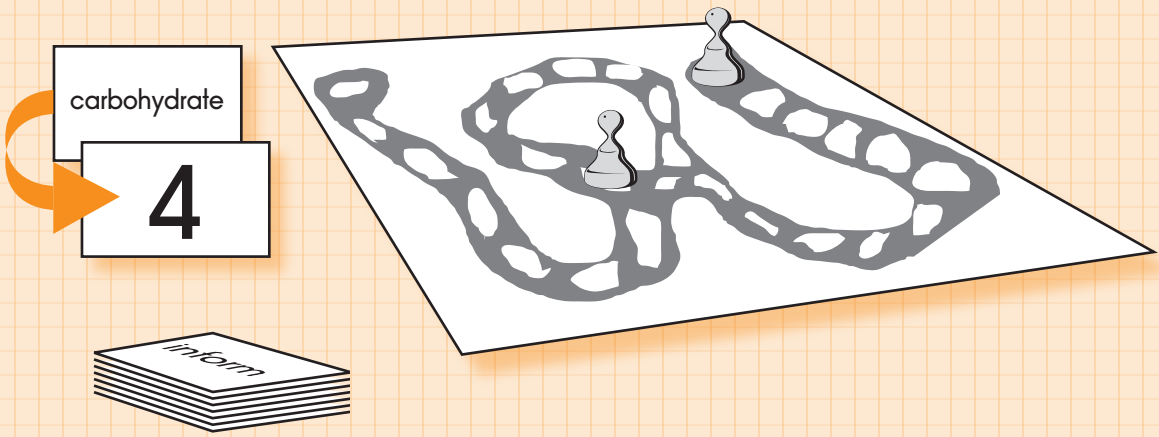
- ▶ Syllable game board (Activity Master AP.008.AM1a - AP.008.AM1b)
- ▶ Word cards (Activity Master AP.008.AM2a - AP.008.AM2d)
Write the number of syllables on the back of the word cards. Optional: Provide students with a dictionary that shows syllable breaks.
- ▶ Game pieces (e.g., counters)

Activity

Students count syllables in words by playing a game.

1. Place game board on a flat surface and word cards face up in a stack.
2. Students place game pieces at START on the game board.
3. Taking turns, students pick the top card and read the word (e.g., carbohydrate).
4. Say the word again segmenting it by syllables (i.e., car-bo-hy-drate). Count and state the number of syllables (i.e., four syllables).
5. Check the back of the card for the number of syllables. If correct, move game piece to the next space with the corresponding number. If incorrect, leave game piece where it is and next student takes turn. Word card is placed at the bottom of the stack.
6. Continue until all students reach the END of the game board.
7. Peer evaluation

“Carbohydrate, car-bo-hy-drate.
That’s four syllables.”



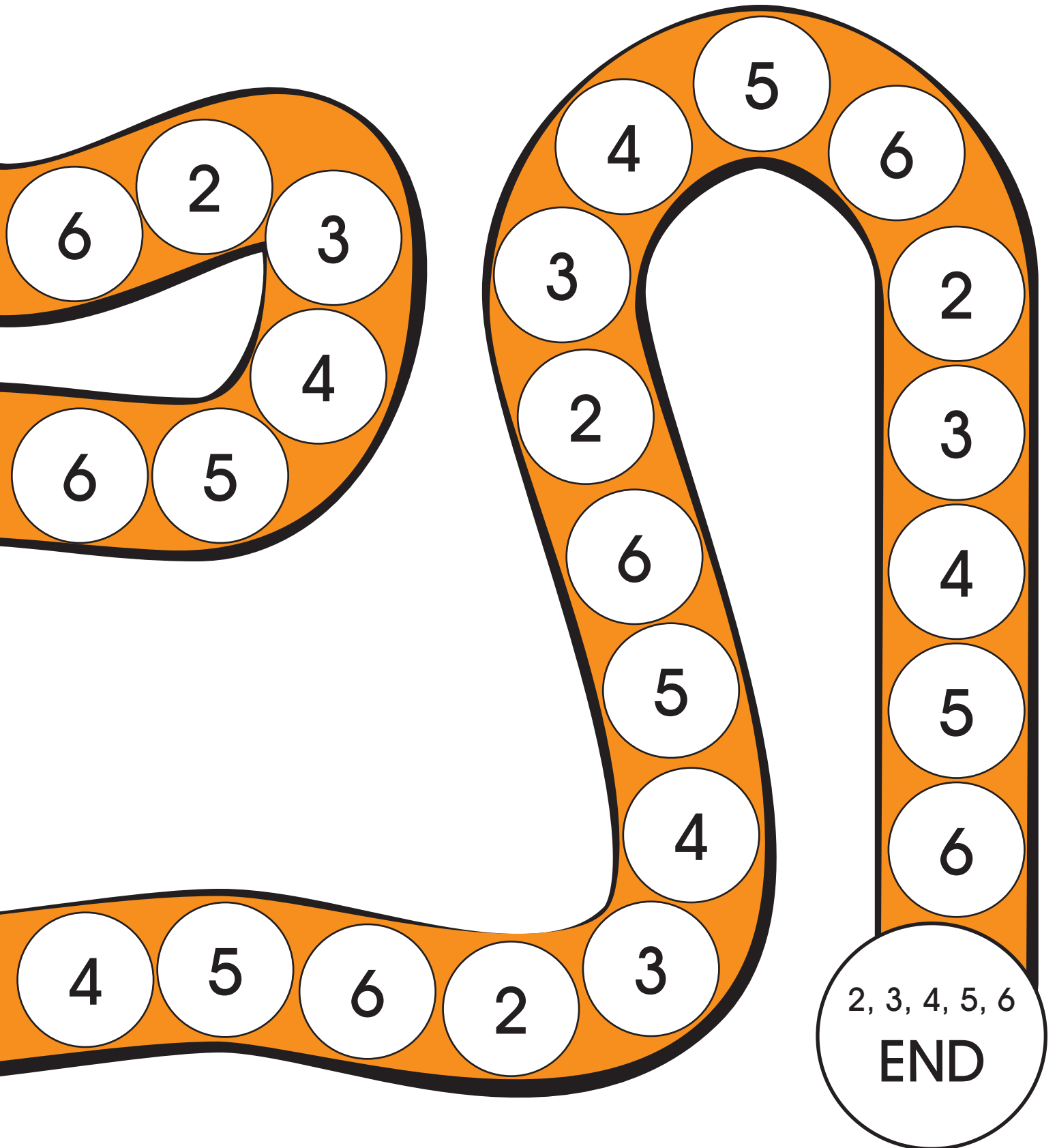
Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Make other word cards to use in game (Activity Master AP.003.AM3).
- ▶ Use other game board (Activity Master AP.007.AM1a - AP.007.AM1b). Read the words from the activity (or make others), count syllables, move game piece corresponding number of spaces.
- ▶ Sort target words by number of syllables.

Advanced Phonics

AP.008.AM1b

Syllable Game



Advanced Phonics

Syllable Game

AP.008.AM2a

dolphin

employ

fragment

inform

encyclopedia

unsatisfactory

autobiography

unimaginable

word cards - two and six syllable words



Advanced Phonics

AP.008.AM2b

Syllable Game

committee

headquarters

festival

percussion

advertise

distinguish

foundation

livelihood

word cards - three syllable words



Advanced Phonics

Syllable Game

AP.008.AM2c

emergency

constellation

immediate

occupation

administer

locomotive

binoculars

catastrophe

word cards - four syllable words



Advanced Phonics

AP.008.AM2d

Syllable Game

denomination

precipitation

quadrilateral

vocabulary

hydroelectric

intermediate

perpendicular

supernatural

word cards - five syllable words

