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Phonics: R-Controlled Syllables

In r-controlled syllables, a vowel is followed by the letter r.
The r changes the sound of the vowel.



Examples: ar (**car**) er (**her**) ir (**bird**) or (**corn**) ur (**burn**)

1 Sort the words by their r-controlled syllable.

farm first horn nurse bird darker corn turtle card pepper

ar	er	ir	or	ur
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

2 Write the r-controlled syllable that matches each picture.



b_____n



b_____d



popc_____n



n_____se



t_____tle

3 Choose the correct r-controlled syllable to complete each sentence.

ar

er

ir

or

ur

- The f_____mer planted seeds in the field.
- My sister is a great help_____.
- I saw a b_____d sitting on a branch.
- We had c_____n on the cob for dinner.
- The t_____tle swam slowly in the pond.