
Focus Letter Pattern: ALL

Lesson Difficulty Level: 4

There are approximately 3400 words in the English language containing the letters ALL.

STEP 1: Using hints, work with your students to generate the following words and fill in the word work matrix. Be sure to define each word and use it in a sentence as you write it in the word-work matrix. Notice that the pronunciation of ALL is fairly inconsistent.

1. ALL
2. HALL
3. TALL
4. FALL
5. BALL
6. BALLOON
7. BALLOT
8. GALLON
9. SQUALL
10. WALLOW
11. WALLOP
12. ALLERGY

STEP 2: When the word-work matrix is completed, have the students chant the words aloud 3 or 4 times to build rapid and proper pronunciation. Point out to the students that the pronunciation of ALL is fairly inconsistent.

STEP 3: Quickly call out words at random, and have the students tell you what cell each word is in. For example, if you say WALLOW, the students should tell you it's in box 10. Or if you say BALLOON, the students should say it is in box 6.

STEP 4: Read the following sentences aloud and have the students figure out what word belongs in the blank space:

- To vote in an election, you fill out a _____.
- The weather was nice all day, but before we made it home, we were caught in a _____.
- My mother is short, but my father is very _____.
- Four quarts make a _____.
- The pig loves to _____ in the mud.

STEP 5: In the spaces below the word-work matrix, have students generate other words that contain the letters ALL. To make it more interesting, tell them you will be very impressed with students who come up with really unusual and sophisticated vocabulary words. See if the students come up with words like BALLAD, or GALLOP. If they can't, encourage them to simply modify one of the words you have already discussed with a prefix or a suffix, or think of a compound word that contains one of the words from today's lesson.

STEP 6: Have the students generate an original sentence correctly using at least two of the words from the lesson.



Student Word-Work Worksheet

NAME: _____ FOCUS LETTERS: _____

1.	2.	3.
4.	5.	6.
7.	8.	9.
10.	11.	12.

Write your OWN words that contain the letters _____:

Write a **grammatically correct** sentence using at least TWO of the words from the matrix above.

