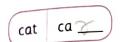


R-Controlled Vowels



Meet the **bossy r**. When the letter ${\bf r}$ follows a vowel, the vowel is usually forced to change its sound. Check it out.

Add an r to complete each of the following words. Read the words aloud and compare the vowel sound in each pair.



fan fa
$$\gamma$$

Note the sound while reading the words. Add 3 more words with similar sounds.





er sound
<u>fer</u> n
nerve
c <u>ur</u> ve
team
Serve
heob







or sound		
torch	town	
cork	207n	
board	fork	

878	er sound
b <u>ur</u> n	Surf
f <u>ur</u> l	burn
c <u>ur</u> b	hurt



Read, clap, count, and write the number of syllables in each word.

blur [

bur.ner

curb

1

sub.urb

2

hard γ

har.der

2

cor.ner 2

shar.per 2

squirt 🕧

part.ner

2

charge



Say it aloud

When the letter r follows a vowel, it usually changes the vowel sound. The vowel + r stay in the same syllable and the r is softly pronounced.