



Words with two syllables that end with the letters 'le' that have a single vowel

If the 'le' word has three consonants prior to the final letter 'e' as in the words 'bubble' and 'single' and 'whistle', and if there is a single vowel in the word, as there is in all these words, the vowel will sound as a 'short' vowel. This means it will sound as it does in the lower case alphabet, 'a' as in apple, 'e' as in egg, 'i' as in igloo, 'o' as in orange and 'u' as in umbrella.

If the word ending in 'le' has two consonants prior to the 'e' as in the words 'able' and 'bugle' the vowel will often sound as its 'long' vowel sound, which is its name sound, **A, E, I, O, and U.**

And if the letter 'y' is being used as a vowel and it is followed by two consonants it sounds as the capital letter 'I' as in the word 'cycle'.

Read the words below aloud remembering to sound out the vowels as indicated above. Highlight the 'le' at the ends of each of the words and then write the words out.

able

table



bubble

stubble

cycle



trickle

knuckle



cradle





bridle

cable

saddle



duffle

ruffle

sniffle



bangle

jingle

rifle



gaggle

twinkle

purple



grapple

apple





supple

isle

hassle

tussle



whistle

castle

trifle



bottle

nettle



rubble

nozzle

puzzle



bugle

fable





Write out the words listed above which have 'long' vowel sounds in them.

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



One example of an exception: '**triple**' it has just 2 consonants before the final 'e' but the vowel 'i' is pronounced as soft 'i'.

Answers: able table cycle cradle bridle cable rifle isle trifle bugle fable

