

R CONTROLLED VOWELS

We know that the vowels a, e, i, o, and u can have a short or long sound. But when a vowel is followed by the letter r its sound changes.

Look at the AR family. In each of these words the a seems to be silent because you just say "r."

AR bar, car, far, jar, par, tar, barn, darn, yarn, farm, harm, army, charm, alarm, star, start, sharp

Be careful -- the ar in these words has a different sound: war, warm, warn, warning

Look at the OR family. In each of these words you say a little word you know, "or."

OR ore, bore, core, more, nor, pore, sore, tore, born, corn, horn, thorn, morning, r

Look at the

IR bird, g

UR fur, nu

ER her, fe

sound!



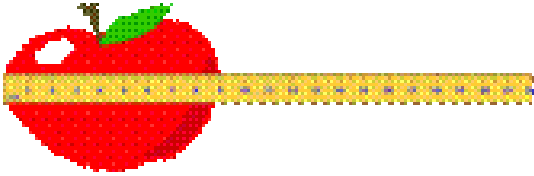
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