

Family Cinema

➔ Fill in the missing words to complete the spelling rule.

Need a hint? Here's a word bank.

middle 3 E open



In the _____ of a word, the schwa sound will be spelled with an _____

I or _____.

Watch out! This is for unaccented syllables in words with _____

or more syllables.

➔ Guided Practice

Look at the list of words below. Circle the words that follow the **Family Cinema** rule.

principal elegant
amnesty remind
across animal
cavity compliment

Next, write each circled word below, and draw a box around each syllable like this:

Example: Fam i ly



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Guided Practice (continued)

► Lights, Camera, Action! Now you are the director. Use your list of Family Cinema words from the previous activity to design the next blockbuster movie poster!

Hint: Think of ALL the words, and picture a movie scene that could involve each word. Think about characters, events, and a setting.



Starring:

Write Movie Title Below

Directed by:

Coming to Theaters on _____



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Instructor-Guided Practice

➔ Verbally prompt your student to spell the attached list of words. Guide your student with the attached thought map.



Tips:

- Read each word out loud to your student. Schwas are marked in red.
- Prompt your student to say and spell each word syllable-by-syllable.
- Leaving a blank space for the ə sound is a good way to reinforce critical thinking skills before your student works out the correct spelling.
- You can insert the thought map into a page protector and ask your student to answer the questions using a dry erase marker for each word.

Word List

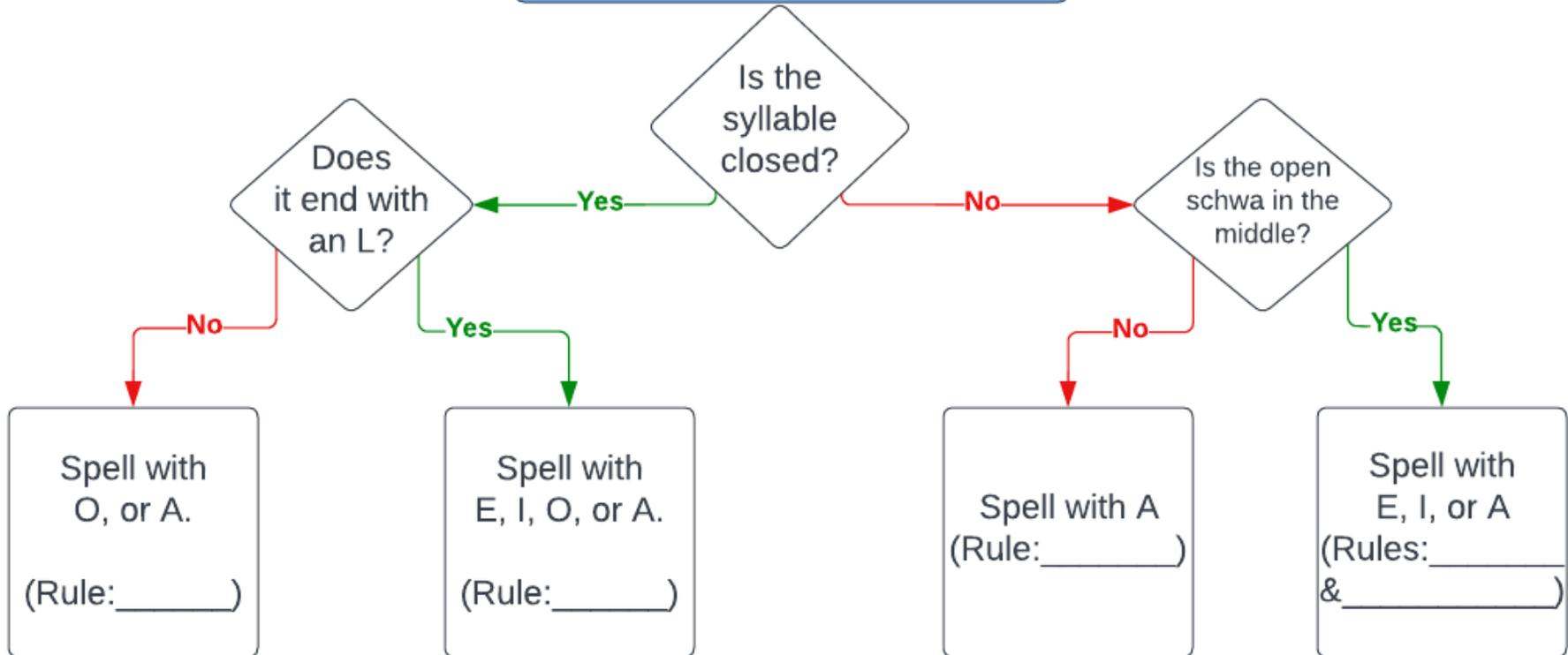
List 1	+/-	List 2	+/-
Banana		Dragon	
Custom		Element	
Apricot		Atlanta	
Enemy		Scandal	
Travel		Cabinet	
Ago		President	
Optimist		Canvas	
Policy		Random	
Salon		Dignity	
Gravel		Aroma	

Notes: _____



Schwa Thought Map

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Answer Key: Family Cinema

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In the **middle** of a word, the schwa sound will be spelled with an **open** I or **E**.

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Example: **Fam** **i** **ly**

Prin/ci/pal An/i/mal
Cav/i/ty Com/pli/ment
El/e/gant

