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Schwa Label Practice Answer Key

(Schwa vowel underlined and syllable type labeled.)

- animal - closed
- camera - open
- color - r-controlled
- pilot - open
- family - open
- button - closed
- dangerous - open
- travel - open
- memory - open
- natural - open

Note: Syllable types reflect the syllable that contains the schwa only, not the entire word.

Teacher's Guide

- Review that schwa can appear in many syllable types because it depends on stress, not spelling.
- Model one example by stretching the word and identifying which vowel sounds weak, then naming the syllable type.
- Support students by giving a reference chart with the four syllable types and sample words.
- For extension, challenge students to rewrite each word with syllable breaks and mark which syllable holds the schwa or find two additional schwa words that match each syllable type.