

Name _____

Short Vowels

Directions Choose the word with the **short vowel** sound in the **first syllable** to complete each sentence. Write the word on the line.

- _____ **hospital** _____ 1. My mom works in a big (hotel/hospital).
- _____ **winter** _____ 2. She got the job last (April/winter).
- _____ **doctor** _____ 3. She works for a (doctor/painter).
- _____ **messages** _____ 4. Mom writes (poems/messages).
- _____ **pencil** _____ 5. She uses a (pencil/notepad).

Directions Circle the word with the **short vowel** sound in the **first syllable**. Then underline the letter that stands for that short vowel sound.

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| 6. <u>h</u> appen | higher | hoses |
| 7. miner | <u>p</u> roblem | music |
| 8. paper | private | <u>p</u> uppet |
| 9. lately | <u>l</u> ettuce | likely |
| 10. trial | toaster | <u>t</u> unnel |
| 11. <u>n</u> apkin | native | notebook |
| 12. spoken | spider | <u>s</u> ignal |
| 13. baby | <u>b</u> asket | biker |
| 14. <u>s</u> ister | safety | season |
| 15. tasteful | timer | <u>t</u> ennis |

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Home Activity Your child identified words with a short vowel sound in the first syllable, such as *happen*, *lettuce*, and *tennis*. Have your child make a collage of magazine pictures showing items that have a short vowel sound in the first syllable of each item's name. Help your child label each picture.