English Language Arts and Reading
Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (ELAR TEKS)

State Standards, K–2

• **Kindergarten (3)(B)**
  Use knowledge of letter-sound relationships to decode regular words in text and independent of content (e.g., VC, CVC, CCVC, CVCC words)

• **Grade 1 (3)(C)(i–vi) and grade 2 (2)(B)(i–vi)**
  Use common syllabication patterns to decode words, including the following:
  - Closed syllable (CVC)
  - Open syllable (CV)
  - Final stable syllable
  - Vowel-consonant-silent e words (VCe)
  - *R*-controlled vowel sounds
  - Vowel digraphs and diphthongs

State Standards, 3–8

• **Grade 3 (1)(B)(i–v)**
  Use common syllabication patterns to decode words, including the following:
  - Closed syllable (CVC)
  - Open syllable (CV)
  - Final stable syllable
  - *R*-controlled vowel sounds
  - Vowel digraphs and diphthongs

• **Grades 5–8 (2)(E)**
  Use a dictionary, a glossary, or a thesaurus (printed or electronic) to determine the meanings, syllabication, pronunciations, alternate word choices, and parts of speech of words