April Grade 4 Vocabulary

*Jargon ~ special vocabulary used by people who work at certain jobs. We will learn newspaper jargon.*

*Funny Words ~ words that sound or look funny*

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| WORD | DEFINITION |
| *NEWSPAPER JARGON* |  |
| dum/my | model |
| beat | the area or subject that a reporter covers |
| bleeds | when a picture goes to the edge of a page |
| wid/ow | a word in a line by itself at the end of a paragraph |
| ty/po | Mistake by hitting the wrong key |
| mast/head | on a newspaper, the place where publishers and editors are listed |
| scoop | when a newspaper is the first to publish a story |
| crop | cut off part of a picture |
| string/er | a person not on the newspaper staff but send in stories |
| *FUNNY WORDS* |  |
| pop/py/cock | nonsense |
| bam/boo/zle | trick |
| bal/ly/hoo | an uproar about something |
| pol/li/wog | a frog at a very young stage |
| dil/ly/dal/ly | waste time |
| slug/a/bed | lazy person |
| scal/a/wag | a rascal |
| hob/nob | on familiar terms with a person |
| gob/ble/dy/gook | long writing or speaking that is hard to understand |
| bonk/ers | crazy |

What we know about syllable division to decode words:

* Every syllable has a vowel. Locate vowels.
* The magic e makes the vowel say its name and is part of the syllable, not a separate syllable.
* 2 usual vowel combinations stay together as part of 1 syllable ~ ai, au, aw, ay, ee, ea, eigh, ie, igh, oa, ou, ow, oi, oy, oo, ui, ue, uy. Unusual combinations are divided, as in *io* in rav/i/ol/i and *eo* in ro/de/o.
* Blends and digraphs stay together!
* Bossy r combinations stay together ~ ar, er, ir, or, ur.
* Prefixes and suffixes are separated as separate syllables, except in circumstances when ed sounds like a /d/ or /t/ and does NOT make a separate syllable. Ed only sounds like /ed/ and makes a separate syllable when the root word ends in d or t.
* Consonant le at the end of words makes its own syllable.