

## abdicate – PO 1

Identify the types of the following syllables. Write the syllables in the appropriate columns below and then read the sorted syllables. If you need help on a syllable type, replay the lesson.

ab

verse

dapt

stru

pra

a

dent

trav

pli

-dle

port

-ture

Closed	Open	Vowel- <i>r</i>	Final Stable



## abdicate – PO 2

### A Bluebird and a Swan



A Bluebird, which you know is blue as the sky, was envious of the Swan, because of her long and graceful neck. The foolish bird got the idea that if he lived like the Swan, swimming and diving all day long and eating the weeds and plants that grow in the water, his short neck would turn long like the Swan's.

So he left his home in the woods and tall grass and went down to live on the lakes and in the marshes. But though he washed and washed all day long, his neck remained as short as ever. And as the tall grass he ate did not agree with him, he got thinner and thinner, and at last he died.

The moral to this story is that *a change of habits will not alter nature.*

Discuss with a partner what this moral means.