## TIPS FOR DECODING WORDS





## EPISODE 105: GETTING FROM HERE TO THERE



# **Decoding Long Words**





### **Flexible Strategy**

- Break up the word into syllables.
- Remember, every syllable has a vowel (a, e, i, o, u).
- How many vowels are there? How many parts are in your word?
- Read each part.
- Blend each part together.
- Read the word.

#### **Covert Strategy**

- Look for affixes, which are word parts that hold meaning.
- Remember, prefixes are at the beginning of words & suffixes are at the end of words.
- Are there any affixes you already know?
- What do those affixes mean?
- Are there other word parts?
- Read each part.
- Blend each part together.
- Read the word.