

# Long **u** Vowel Patterns in Accented Syllables

The accented syllable for words with the **open u** pattern is usually the first syllable.

**open u** pattern

**hu**/mor

**pu**/pil

The accented syllable for words with the **uCe** pattern can be either the first or second syllable.

**uCe** pattern

**use**/ful

**in**/clude

## Unsure which syllable is accented?

1. Place the top of your hand gently under your chin. When you say a word, you will feel your chin slightly drop down on the accented syllable.
2. Consult a dictionary.