Long o Vowel Patterns in Accented Syllables

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

The accented syllable for words with the oCe pattern and the ow pattern can be either the first or second syllable.

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.