UNIT 18

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.