

Lesson One

This Lesson will help you with your pronunciation and spellings.

It can be difficult to understand spoken English. One reason for this is that we Run words together to make new sounds. We are going to look at some examples of this to help us with listening and speaking.

Exercise One

A. What are the vowels?

Vowels are.....

B. What are the consonants?

Consonants are.....

Exercise Two

Can you hear what happens when we have a consonant sound joining a vowel sound?

Listen and notice how we join the words together.

A: Look_ʌ at This Picture

(Can you Hear/Look-kat/?)

B: It_z an American Actor.

A: How Many films has he starred in?

B: One_z or Two

A: what are the names of the films?

B: Hold_z on. I'll Just Read_z it.



Exercise Three

Read And Try to link the words together.

In the morning I get_ʌ up at 7am, take_{ɒf} my pyjamas, put_{ɒn} my cloths, get_{ɪn} the car and turn_{ɒn} the radio.

Exercise Four

Can you hear what happens when we join a vowel to a vowel? Say These Aloud

They_z aren't married.
(y)

Can you hear the/y/sound?

You're too_w early.
(w)

Can you hear the/w/sound?

Put in a (w) or (y) sound.

1. Youu are the best at tennis()
2. Hee ate some peanuts. ()
3. I can`t Seee it. ()
4. Wee are leaving. ()
5. Doo it tomorrow. ()

Exercise five

Dictation Exercise

Listen and write the answer to the sentences.

1. What do you do?

2. Why is your nose red?

3. When will you pay me?

What time is it?



5. Where`s the cash point?



6. How many people were at the concert?



Exercise Six

Compound nouns

Join a word in list A to a word in list B. Do you notice any extra Sounds?

List A

List B

Car

Club

Post

Assistant

Head

Port

Shop

Stop

Night

Park

Bus

Office

Air

Ache

Put word into each Sentence.

1. let`s go dancing. Where`s the nearest.....?
2. When the music is loud I get a.....
3. Leave your car in the.....
4. TheTold me the price of the iPod.
5. You get stamps in the.....
6. On The way to Spain they had to wait for five hours at the.....

Don` t worry...

If you don`t understand you can say

Sorry.....

Could you repeat that please?

Could you speak more slowly

Could you peak up a bit please?

Sorry .I don`t Understand.

Exercise Seven

Exercise can be difficult in English because we do not pronounce at the letter sounds. For example the word ghost .We do not hear the h.It is Silent.

Do you know how to spell these words? Listen and write



1.....



2.....



3.....



4.....



5.....

1
2

6.....



7.....



8.....



9.....

Which of the letters are silent? Underline Them

Exercise Eight

More sounds in English

Which words make an (**S**) Sound and which words make a (**K**) sound?

Underline the (S) and Circle The K Sound.

Cat Cigarette City Camera Cinema

Exercise Nine

Which words make a g Sound and which words make a dz sound.

Germany Travel agent Anger Girl

Exercise Ten

Double Letters

Listen and put in the missing double letters.

Wi_____ Su_____er ha_____er gla_____

Verbs in gerund

Ru__ning Swin__ing Si__ing Sto__ing

Other sounds in English

ng Sing Bottle	tch watch	CK Pick	Le
These are never at the beginning of words			
Ph phone	qu Queen		
These are never at the end of the words			
Sh shut	ch child		
These can be at the beginning or end of words			
gh Can be f as in fish cough (or it can be silent daughter)			
Ph Can be F Photograph			

Exercise Eleven

Plurals

We usually add an s to make a word plural

1 house, 2 houses

1 Table, 2 Tables

World ending in X, O, CH, SH -add es

Church Kiss Box Tomato Brush

1. I like eating a salad of red.....
2. How manyare open every Sunday?
3. Sheher teeth before she goes to bed at night.
4. The childhis mother goodbye every morning.
5. I need some.....to put my shopping in.

Exercise twelve

Worlds ending in y –drop the y and add ies

The first one is done for you

1. Babybabies.....
2. County
3. Fly
4. Lady

Exercise thirteen

If there is a vowel (a, e, i, ou) before the last letter-then just add S

1. Boy
2. Day
3. Donkey

Exercise 14

These nouns ending in f or fe take away the f and add ves

1. Calf Calves.....
2. Half
3. Knife
4. Leaf
5. Wife

Exercise 15

How do you make plural?

Change the vowels

- Foot
- Tooth

Exercise 16

Make these words plural

- Book glass boy beach university student child
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Exercise 17

Notice the different pronunciation of the ending of S

Group these words into their different sounds

If you are a complete beginner at spelling take a look at children`s school book and start with three letter words which rhyme.

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|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| Books | Buses | glasses | potatoes | airports | beaches | flippers | churches |
| At | in | og | all | Ot | | | |
| cat | Pin | dog | Fall | hot | | | |
| hat | win | log | tall | not | | | |
| sat | bin | fog | ball | got | | | |
| mat | tin | bog | call | lot | | | |

Exercise 18

(Introduction)

How do you feel?

Match the feeling to the picture

Embarrassed

Sad

Shocked

Surprised

Angry

Tired



A.....



B.....



C.....



D.....



E.....



F.....

We know a lot from the sound of your voice-if it goes up or down
Listen to some examples.....

Listen and decide how she feels.

1. I'd like a drink
2. I'd like a drink

Does his voice go up or down?

How does he feel?

Exercise nineteen

Listen and repeat

- 1. What time is it? (Worried)**
- 2. What time is it? (excited)**
- 3. Where do you live? (friendly)**
- 4. Where do you live? (Garda asking)**
- 5. You live in Dublin? (Surprised)**
- 6. You live in Dublin? (a question)**
- 7. I don't think so (Sad)**
- 8. Where's the toilet? (embarrassed)**

Exercise 20

Listen and put the missing word in the spaces

Listening	Skirt	Umbrella	Rain	Actor	Kissing	Thinking
Coffee	Looking(2)	Milk	Nice	Waiting	Trying	Turning
Sitting	Look	Morning	Paper	Window	Drinking	Feeling

I am 1..... In the 2..... at the diner on the corner

I am 3..... at the counter for the man to pour the 4.....

And he fills it only at halfway and before I even argue he is 5..... out the

6..... at somebody coming in

“It is coming always 7..... to see you “say the man behind the counter

To the woman who has come in she is shaking her 8..... and I 9.....

The other way as they are 10..... Their hellos.

I am pretending not to see them instead I pour the 11.....

I opened the 12..... there `s story of an 13..... who had died while he

was 14..... it was no one I had heard an I `m 15..... to horoscope and

looking for funnies.

When I`m 16..... someone watching me and so I raise my head there`s a woman

on the outside 17..... inside does she see me?

No she does not really see me cause she sees her own reflection and I am 18.....

Not notice that she`s hitching up her 19..... and while she`s straightening her

stocking s her hair has gotten wet

Oh, this rain it will continue through the morning as I`m 20..... to the bells of the

cathedral I am 21..... of your voice...

And of the midnight picnic once upon a time before the 22..... Began.....

I finished up my coffee, It`s time to catch the train.....

How many words with double letters can you find?

1.

6.

2.

7.

3.

8.

4.

9.

5.

10.