







Two-Syllable Words

Below are numerous words that require a certain stress. Read them aloud with the correct stress.

 1	 2	 3	 4
Noun	Adjective	Verb	Preposition
1. Accent	1. Absent	1. Accept	1. About
2. Advert	2. Bitter	2. Admire	2. Above
3. Building	3. Charming	3. Behave	3. Across
4. Colleague	4. Crowded	4. Compete	4. Against
5. Entry	5. Dirty	5. Delete	5. Along
6. Glasses	6. Early	6. Enjoy	6. Among
7. Honey	7. Foreign	7. Forget	7. Around
8. Ladder	8. Grateful	8. Insist	8. Before
9. Luggage	9. Hopeless	9. Install	9. Behind
10. Moment	10. Jealous	10. Perform	10. Below
11. Ocean	11. Later	11. Persuade	11. Beside
12. Perfume	12. Lovely	12. Predict	12. Between
13. Quarter	13. Modern	13. Provide	13. Beyond
14. Running	14. Narrow	14. Regret	14. Despite
15. Sandwich	15. Patient	15. Relax	15. Except
16. Sugar	16. Proper	16. Remove	16. Inside
17. Traffic	17. Quiet	17. Select	17. Toward
18. Value	18. Selfish	18. Succeed	18. Until
19. Wallet	19. Tiny	19. Undo	19. Upon
20. Zebra	20. Useful	20. Undress	20. Without



Words Ending in EN and ER

Below are numerous words that require a certain stress. Read them aloud with the correct stress.



EN Ending	ER Ending
1. Broken 2. Chicken 3. Children 4. Dozen 5. Even 6. Fasten 7. Frozen 8. Garden 9. Given 10. Happen 11. Hidden 12. Kitchen 13. Kitten 14. Often 15. Open 16. Oven 17. Sudden 18. Spoken 19. Wooden 20. Written	1. After 2. Answer 3. Baker 4. Blogger 5. Bother 6. Butcher 7. Chapter 8. Cover 9. Dinner 10. Driver 11. Either 12. Elder 13. Enter 14. Ever 15. Finger 16. Further 17. Heater 18. Never 19. Over 20. Rather



Three-Syllable Words (Ending in ER and LY)

Below are numerous words that require a certain stress. Read them aloud with the correct stress.



ER Ending

1. Canister
2. Character
3. Customer
4. Cylinder
5. Foreigner
6. Gardener
7. Islander
8. Lavender
9. Manager
10. Messenger
11. Minister
12. Murderer
13. Officer
14. Passenger
15. Pensioner
16. Prisoner
17. Publisher
18. Register
19. Sorcerer
20. Treasurer




LY Ending


1. Actually
2. Carefully
3. Certainly
4. Easily
5. Elderly
6. Family
7. Finally
8. Generally
9. Happily
10. Honestly
11. Hopefully
12. Multiply
13. Normally
14. Obviously
15. Personally
16. Possibly
17. Probably
18. Suddenly
19. Totally
20. Typically



Suffixes

Below are numerous words that require a stress on the penultimate syllable, directly before the suffix. Read each word aloud to practise.

 9	-ABLE			
Available	Disable	Table	Reliable	Suitable

 10	-CIAN			
Magician	Musician	Optician	Politician	Technician


 11	-ERY			
Delivery	Grocery	Jewellery	Lottery	Mystery

 12	-IAL			
Essential	Financial	Initial	Material	Special


 13	-IAN			
Brazilian	Canadian	Librarian	Pedestrian	Vegetarian


 14	-IBLE			
Horrible	Impossible	Incredible	Responsible	Sensible


 15	-IC/S			
Athletics	Critic	Comic	Electric	Fantastic


 16	-IENT			
Ancient	Convenient	Efficient	Ingredient	Patient


 17	-ION			
Champion	Cushion	Fashion	Million	Onion

 18	-IOUS			
Anxious	Curious	Delicious	Previous	Serious


 19	-ISH			
English	Finish	Punish	Rubbish	Selfish


 20	-OSIS			
Cirrhosis	Diagnosis	Haematosis	Hypnosis	Osmosis


 21	-SION			
Admission	Conclusion	Decision	Profession	Version

 22	-TION			
Application	Instruction	Occupation	Qualification	Reception

Below are numerous words that stress the suffix. Read each word aloud to practise.


 23	-ADE			
Arcade	Crusade	Homemade	Lemonade	Persuade


 24	-EE			
Disagree	Employee	Guarantee	Referee	Unfree

 25	-EER			
Auctioneer	Career	Engineer	Pioneer	Sightseer

 26	-ESE			
Cheese	Diocese	Japanese	Obese	Siamese


 27	-ETTE			
Cassette	Cigarette	Courgette	Omelette	Suffragette


 28	-QUE			
Antique	Picturesque	Grotesque	Technique	Unique


 29	-OON			
Afternoon	Baboon	Balloon	Cartoon	Racoon


Below are numerous words that require a stress on the anti-penultimate syllable, the third from last syllable. Read each word aloud to practise.

 30	-AL			
A nimal	C apital	H ospital	N ational	Prof e ssional

 31	-CY			
A gency	C urrency	E mergency	F requency	P harmacy

 32	-GY			
A llergy	A pology	B iology	E nergy	Techn o logy

 33	-PHY			
O rthography	B iography	G eography	P hilosophy	Phot o graphy

 34	-TY			
A ctivity	C elebrity	C harity	I dentity	Opp o rtunity



Compounds

Below are numerous compound words that require a certain stress. Read each word out loud to practise the correct word stress.



Compound Nouns	Compound Adjectives	Compound Verbs
1. Basketball	1. Blue-eyed	1. Detest
2. Bookcase	2. Cold-blooded	2. Forbid
3. Earthquake	3. Middle-aged	3. Forget
4. Eyeball	4. Narrow-minded	4. Forgive
5. Honeymoon	5. Old-fashioned	5. Foresee
6. Lifetime	6. Open-minded	6. Handout
7. Moonlight	7. Part-time	7. Overcharge
8. Railroad	8. Rock-solid	8. Playback
9. Sunflower	9. Slow-moving	9. Understand
10. Tablecloth	10. Well-behaved	10. Upturn



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Change in Meaning

Below are numerous phrases where the meaning changes depending on the correct word stress. Read each phrase out loud to practise the correct word stress.

1: ATTRIBUTE

- 1a) Kindness is a wonderful *attribute* that she has.
- 1b) Facebook is *attributed* to Mark Zuckerberg.

2: CONSOLE

- 2a) Have you seen my PlayStation *console*?
- 2b) I had to *console* my daughter when she broke up with her boyfriend.

3: DEFECT

- 3a) There is a massive *defect* in our production line for the new product.
- 3b) I *defected* from liberals to conservatives.

4: EXTRACT

- 4a) Have you read the *extract* of this book?
- 4b) I need to *extract* the nail from your hand before it becomes infected.

5: PROJECT

- 5a) I'm doing a maths *project* on trigonometry at the moment.
- 5b) You need to *project* your voice so I can hear you at the back.

6: PERMIT

- 6a) I don't have a parking *permit* for this zone.
- 6b) I'm sorry, we can't *permit* you to stay here.