



Speaking

Look at the holiday scene below and describe it as best as you can. Try to name as many of the items as possible using your elementary vocabulary.



Look at the schedule below of Harley, who looks after her pet dog, Snuggles. Describe this routine in conversation.

7.00	
7.30	
10.00	
12.00	
13.00	
14.00	
18.00	

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Yesterday was so busy! At the office, I worked hard with my team. We developed a new advertising plan. Our meeting lasted about two hours. I remembered an advertising plan that worked five years ago, and I suggested we try that again. We needed to get the manager's approval. We called him on the office phone. He admitted that the idea seemed good, but he believed we should lower the budget. We reported our numbers to him and talked about the budget for a long time. Finally, he decided to give us the money we wanted.

On the way home, I stopped at the mall. I had promised my daughter a new MP3 player for her birthday. At the electronics store, I played songs and listened for quality sound. I decided to buy one at a medium price.

When I got home, the kitchen was a mess. At our house, we have agreed to clean up after ourselves, so I asked around to find out who had cooked last. That person turned out to be my son. While he washed the dishes, I sat at the kitchen table and talked to him about his school work. Last year, he tested into an advanced program, and I wanted to see how he was doing. He seemed happy with it. He started telling me about his classes and what he learned that day.

Read the following minimal pairs out loud using the correct pronunciation of /ɪ/ and /i:/.

- 1) Bit - beat
- 2) Did - deed
- 3) Dip - deep
- 4) Fill - feel
- 5) Hill - he'll
- 6) His he's
- 7) Hit - heat
- 8) Is - ease
- 9) Itch - each
- 10) Kip - keep

- 1) Knit - neat
- 2) Lip - leap
- 3) Mill - meal
- 4) Mitt - meat
- 5) Pick - peak
- 6) Pitch - peach
- 7) Sin- seen
- 8) Sit - seat
- 9) Slip - sleep
- 10) Still - steal

Read the following words out loud that all have silent letters.

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| 1) Comb | 1) Chemistry |
| 2) Doubt | 2) Hour |
| 3) Muscle | 3) Knife |
| 4) Yacht | 4) Salmon |
| 5) Handsome | 5) Autumn |
| 6) Wednesday | 6) Receipt |
| 7) Sign | 7) Island |
| 8) Champagne | 8) Castle |
| 9) Laughter | 9) Ballet |
| 10) Daughter | 10) Biscuit |