

## Intonation

Intonation is the rise and fall of your voice when you speak. It conveys emotion, attitude and intention when speaking in English. It can be used alongside stress and rhythm to sound native when speaking.

Rising Intonation	Falling Intonation	Fall-Rising Intonation
Statements <i>My name is Hannah.</i>	Yes/no questions <i>Are you ready?</i>	Politeness <i>I could help</i>
Commands <i>Sit down!</i>	Uncertainty <i>You're free tomorrow?</i>	Hesitation <i>Maybe we should wait?</i>
WH-questions <i>Where are you going?</i>	Surprise <i>You saw him?</i>	Doubt <i>I think it's OK</i>



### LOOK OUT

- ⚠ Tag questions rise when genuinely asking and fall when expecting agreement
- ⚠ Each item on a list rises and the last item falls
- ⚠ Sarcasm falls
- ⚠ Contrast emphasis fall-rises