

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 1

1.1

1A ▶ 1.1 SENTENCE STRESS: questions

Complete the questions. They all begin with a *wh*-question word. Then listen and check your ideas.

- 1 A: _____ studying English?
B: Because I want to travel.
- 2 A: _____'s _____ favourite _____ of music?
B: Rock music.
- 3 A: _____ do _____ homework?
B: In the library.
- 4 A: _____ time _____ spend on _____ internet?
B: About two hours a day.
- 5 A: _____ last film _____ saw?
B: The new James Bond film.

- B** Read the Pronunciation tip. Then listen again and say the questions in Exercise 1A with the speakers. Copy the sentence stress.

speakout PRONUNCIATION TIP

Key words are stressed. They are longer, louder and higher. The other words are usually weaker and are said faster.

What do you **do**? How did you **get** here **today**?

2A ▶ 1.2 SOUNDS and SPELLING: /ɪ/ /i:/ /ʊ/ /u:/ /æ/ /ɑ:/ Look at some different spellings of the sounds. Then listen and repeat the sounds and words. Which sounds are short and which sounds are long?

- /ɪ/ did, live, business
/i:/ see, leave, police
/ʊ/ good, sugar, woman
/u:/ food, who, shoe
/æ/ happy, transport, pasta
/ɑ:/ answer, car, laugh

- B** ▶ 1.3 Read the phonemes and try to say the words. Listen and check. Then write the spelling.

- 1 _____ /ki:/
- 2 _____ /mɪnɪt/
- 3 _____ /bʊk/
- 4 _____ /sku:l/
- 5 _____ /blæk/
- 6 _____ /hɑ:f/

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3A ▶ 1.4 SENTENCE STRESS and RHYTHM:

relationships Listen to the story. Did Joe and Ann know each other for a long time before they got engaged?

Joe didn't have a girlfriend,
He met Ann on a plane,
They talked a lot and got on well.
From Mexico to Spain.

They fell in love in Malaga
And Joe proposed to Ann.
She said 'yes', they got engaged.
What a happy man!

Why did she accept so soon?
She doesn't really know.
But they got married there and then
Twenty years ago.

- B** Underline the main stressed words in each line. What do you notice about the last word in each line?
- C** Listen again and say the story with the speaker. Copy the stress and rhythm.

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4A ▶ 1.5 LINKING: do you, did you, would you

Read the Pronunciation tip. Then listen and repeat the questions.

speakout PRONUNCIATION TIP

In fast speech, we often link *Do you* /dʒu/, *Did you* /dɪdʒu/ and *Would you* /wʊdʒu/ together.

- 1 What did you do last night?
- 2 Did you watch the match?
- 3 Would you like a coffee?
- 4 What would you like to drink?
- 5 Do you have the time?
- 6 Where do you live?

- B** ▶ 1.6 Listen to the questions and circle the phrases you hear.

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| 1 | Do you | Did you | Would you |
| 2 | do you | did you | would you |
| 3 | do you | did you | would you |
| 4 | Do you | Did you | Would you |
| 5 | Do you | Did you | Would you |
| 6 | do you | did you | would you |