

Pink and orange

Consonant groups at the end of words

A B79a Some words have one consonant sound at the end. Listen.

stop

sick (ck is 2 letters but only 1 sound /k/)

B79b Some words have groups of two or three consonant sounds at the end. Listen.

stops (ps is 2 sounds)

stamp (mp is 2 sounds)

six (x is 1 letter but 2 sounds /ks/)

stamps (mps is 3 sounds)

sixth (xth is 3 sounds /ksθ/)

B B80 Listen and repeat these words with two consonant sounds at the end. Be careful – don't put a vowel sound between the consonants.

arrived

ask

build

dance

find

finished

help

stops

stamp

six

C B81a Listen and repeat these words with three consonant sounds at the end. Be careful – don't put a vowel sound between the consonants.

asks

builds

crisps

danced

helps

sixth

stamps

B81b Sometimes we don't pronounce all the consonant sounds clearly. Listen.

sto(p)s

hel(p)

frien(d)s

as(k)

stam(p)

wan(t)s

stam(p)s

hel(p)ed

buil(d)s

Important
for listening

Exercises

26.1 Listen and circle the word you hear.

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|---------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 1 <u>cold</u> | colder | 6 old | older |
| 2 cold | colder | 7 sent | centre |
| 3 dance | dancer | 8 sent | centre |
| 4 dance | dancer | 9 fast | faster |
| 5 old | older | 10 fast | faster |

Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.

26.2 Listen and complete the sentences with words from Exercise 26.1.

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- 1 Yesterday was cold, but today's
- 2 My wife's a good but I can't at all.
- 3 I'm than you, but not too to learn English.
- 4 I my daughter to buy some things in the shopping
- 5 The bus is but the train's

Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.

26.3 Underline the consonant groups at the ends of words in the dialogues.



- 1 A: Have you seen that film? B: No, I haven't.
- 2 A: Be there at six. B: Is that when it starts?
- 3 A: Have you been to France? B: Yes, once.
- 4 A: How do you say 'Hello' in French? B: I can't speak French.
- 5 A: Have some of these biscuits. B: No, thanks, I don't like them.
- 6 A: I found some money in the street today. B: How much? A: Fifty pence.
- 7 A: What's for lunch? B: Fish and chips.
- 8 A: I only slept six hours last night. B: I didn't sleep at all!
- 9 A: What colour are your new gloves? B: Pink and orange!

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Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.

26.4 Complete each phrase with one of the words in the box.

boots	physics	west	silence
thousands	isn't	banks	last

EXAMPLE

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|--------------------------|----------------------|
| first and <u>last</u> | 4 socks and |
| 1 maths and | 5 shops and |
| 2 it wasn't and it | 6 sound and |
| 3 hundreds and | 7 from east to |

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Listen to check your answers. Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.