

Consonant groups across words

A



B86 Sometimes a word ends with a consonant or a consonant group, and the next word starts with a consonant or consonant group, and you pronounce the consonants together as a group. Listen and repeat.

this_time
a_plane_ticket
a_pop_star
an_English_class
the_next_word
orange_juice
this_morning
time_to go
an_old_castle



A pop star

An old castle



B87 Sometimes you don't hear all the consonants clearly. Listen and repeat.

Important
for listening

stop_the game	sto(p) the game
last_week	las(t) week
back_to work	ba(ck) to work
and_then ...	an(d) then ...
put your bag_down	put your ba(g) down

B



B88 Sometimes the sound of one of the consonants changes. Listen and repeat.

ten	ten_boys	(n sounds like m)
	ten_girls	(n sounds like /ŋ/)
good	goodbye	(d sounds like b)
	good_goal!	(d sounds like g)



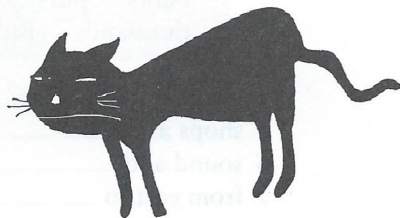
Good goal!

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B89 If the same consonant sound comes at the end of one word and the beginning of the next word, you usually hear it only once, but longer than normal. Listen and repeat.

ten_nights
this_summer
some_money
enough_food
stop_playing
a_good_day
a_black_cat
call_later



Exercises

27.1

Listen and complete the sentences.

EXAMPLE

Were you at the last meeting?

- 1 See you week.
- 2 Have a time.
- 3 Have a holiday.
- 4 me a call.
- 5 me an email.
- 6 me how you are.
- 7 me a letter.
- 8 me a present.

Check with the Key. Then listen again and repeat.

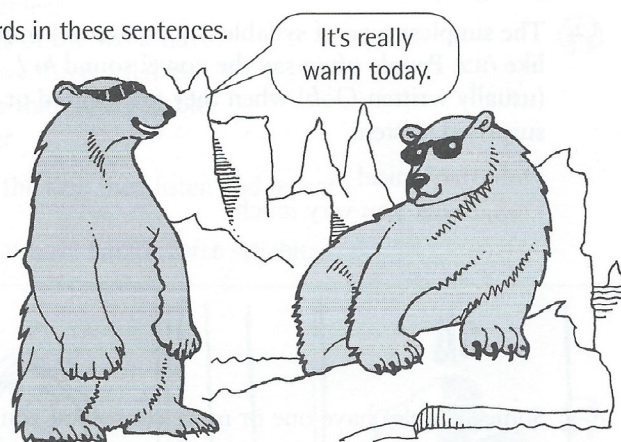
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Underline the consonant groups across words in these sentences.

EXAMPLE

This is the last time.

- 1 It's really warm today.
- 2 Try this sentence.
- 3 I don't know what to do.
- 4 Look through all the photos.
- 5 Check the answer.
- 6 I'd like to ask you something.
- 7 Is this the right place?
- 8 I haven't listened to this CD yet.
- 9 The meeting's on Monday.
- 10 The potatoes aren't cooked yet.



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

27.3

Complete the phrases with the words from the box. You will need to use some of them more than once.

this young cheap white big next black last old small

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| <u>this</u> month | month | month |
| a/an town | a/an town | a/an town |
| a/an cat | a/an cat | a/an cat |
| a/an cat | a/an cat | a/an cat |
| clothes | clothes | clothes |
| clothes | clothes | clothes |

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Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.