Pronunciation

UNIT 1

Sentence stress with determiners

Which words are stressed in these sentences and questions? Mark them with a ¹. Then listen and check.

- 1 I want to do some 'shopping at the 'market.
- 2 There are plenty of cafés in the shopping centre.
- 3 No dogs allowed.
- 4 There isn't much fun in shopping in the rain.
- 5 You can't find many old cafés these days.
- 6 Have you got any money left?
- 7 There are a lot of sales in the shops at the moment.
- 8 Jane has several discount cards.

UNIT 3

Sentence stress with strong adjectives and adverbs

Listen and repeat. Then mark the stressed words with a ...

- 1 All the cyclists were absolutely exhausted after the race.
- 2 Sam is very unhappy that his team lost.
- 3 My sister is extremely good at skiing.
- 4 The tennis players played a really good match.
- 5 The runners were incredibly fast.

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UNIT 2

Word stress in words with prefixes *un*and *dis*-

Write the words in the correct column. Then listen and check.

disagree unlucky disappear unpleasant dislike unhappy unkind uninteresting

disbe'lieve	un'fair	un'ethical
disagree		
	disbe'lieve disagree	

UNIT 4

Weak form /ə/ in used to

Listen and circle the words you hear. Then say what the difference in pronunciation is between *use* and *used to*.

- 1 My family used a flat / used to live in a flat.
- 2 I used / used to have my brother's keys to get into the house.
- **3** Did you use long hair / use to have long hair?
- 4 It was raining so I used / used to put up my umbrella.
- 5 Did it use to rain / Did it use rain so much in spring?
- 6 Houses didn't use to have / used central heating.