



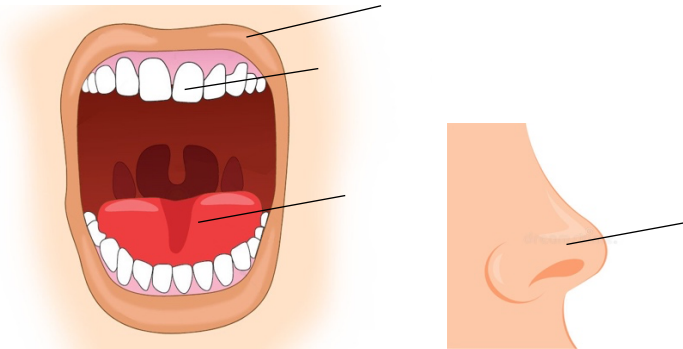
SPELLING AND PRONUNCIATION

...Do you know the difference?

Spelling is concerned with how a word is **WRITTEN**.

Pronunciation is concerned with how a word is **PRONOUNCED**.

1. What body parts are involved in speech production?



English phonetics is not as difficult as you might think, but we need to go back to the English alphabet if we want to explore sounds in detail.

How many letters are there in the English alphabet?

*Can you distinguish between **vowels** and **consonants**?*

2. Find the vowels in the English alphabet and circle them.





What happens in your mouth when you pronounce a vowel?

What happens instead when you pronounce a consonant?

3. Is the *ɜ* a consonant or a vowel?

3a. Listen to the teacher pronouncing the following words, then underline the different sounds the letter “Y” makes depending on its position in the word. Use different colours.

Yard Yo-yo Fry My Yell

Candy Gym System Monkey Yes

Early Beyond Bicycle Young

3b. Listen again to the teacher pronouncing the same words, then underline the words where the “Y” acts as a consonant and circle the words where the “Y” acts as a vowel. Use different colours.

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3c. Now complete the rule.

The letter “Y” can be both a _____ and a _____.

It acts as a consonant whenever it is at the beginning of a _____ or a _____.

Y is considered to be a vowel when the word has no other vowel, if it is at the end of a _____ or syllable or in the middle of a syllable.

4. Listen to the teacher pronouncing the following words and circle the vowels.

Knead Five Apple Debt Sum Hot

Climb Bake Fruit Boat Drone Love



Recipe Friend Wine Sue Know

Ignore Children Bee Think Island

4b. Are there any silent letters? Cross them out using different colours to distinguish between vowel and consonant sounds.

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4c. Underline the words having 2 consonants that make only one sound when pronounced together and aren't the same letter.

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4d. Underline the words having two consonants that make two different sounds when pronounced together and aren't the same letter.

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WHAT'S WORD STRESS?



Think about the meaning of the standalone word “stress” and try to imagine what happens when a letter in a word is *stressed*.

5. Listen to the teacher pronouncing the following words. Can you hear the stressed syllable in each word? Circle the vowel where the stress is on, then complete the rule.

London Women Expand Product

Produce Resume Science Fantastic

Interesting Gym Hospital Milan Berlin

There are two very important rules about word stress: one word, one _____. So, if you hear two stresses, you have heard two words, not one.

The stress is always on a _____.