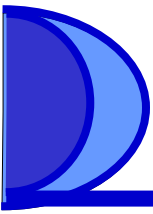


Sentence Stress

Exercise 1

Decide and underline the words that should be stressed in the following sentences. If a word has two or more syllables, underline the syllable that should be stressed. Then, practice reading the sentences applying the proper sentence stress.

1. You are not going to that place, are you?
2. Alice made an appointment with the dentist on Wednesday.
3. Nelson wants to be an actor, so he wants to live in Hollywood.
4. Most people are fully aware that motorcycles can be dangerous to ride.
5. What did you do yesterday.
6. I like Colombia.
7. Why is everybody so serious?
8. I wonder how they sleep at night.
9. It's driving me crazy.
10. I hate my computer, my modem, my disk drive, and my screen.
11. I always have problems.
12. In this kingdom by the sea.
13. I love to drink tea first thing in the morning.
14. She has never seen that movie.
15. I can speak German and French.



Sentence Stress

Exercise 2

For each of the six questions choose the one correct answer. The letters in CAPITALS represent the stressed word/s.

1. In a neutral context which words are stressed?
 - a. HOW LONG have you been MARRIED?
 - b. How long have YOU BEEN married?
 - c. How long have YOU been married?
 - d. HOW LONG have you been married?

2. In a neutral context which words are stressed?
 - a. CAN you make me a cup of tea?
 - b. Can you make me A cup OF tea?
 - c. Can you MAKE me a cup of TEA?
 - d. Can YOU make ME a cup of tea?

3. In a neutral context which words are stressed?
 - a. HE'S lived IN France AND Germany BUT not Spain.
 - b. He's lived in FRANCE and GERMANY but NOT SPAIN.
 - c. He's LIVED in France and Germany but not Spain.
 - d. He's LIVED in FRANCE and GERMANY but not SPAIN.

4. In which sentence does the speaker want to tell us that her flat isn't big?
 - a. SHE lives in a tiny flat in Manchester.
 - b. She lives in a TINY flat in Manchester.
 - c. She lives in a tiny FLAT in Manchester.
 - d. She lives in a tiny flat in MANCHESTER.

5. In which sentence does the speaker want to disagree with the previous speaker who said "Is it true she can't swim?"
 - a. No, SHE can SWIM!
 - b. No, she can SWIM!
 - c. NO, she CAN swim!
 - d. NO, SHE CAN SWIM!

6. In which sentence does the speaker want to show her surprise about how much sugar the other person takes in her coffee?
 - a. YOU want how many sugars?
 - b. You want HOW MANY sugars?
 - c. You WANT how many sugars?
 - d. You want how many SUGARS?