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Pronunciation

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TO THE TEACHER

Teach your students the concept of "stressed and unstressed words".

Stressed and unstressed words

We stress the important words in a sentence. We usually stress words that have a clear meaning, like nouns, adjectives, and main verbs. We do not usually stress helping verbs like *has*, *have*, or *been*. They are stressed only at the end of a sentence or in negative contractions.

Play the video once and focus on the concept you have already taught.



Watch the video and pay attention to the “stressed and unstressed words”

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3 PRONUNCIATION

A ▶02-11 Listen. Notice the stressed words. Then listen and repeat.

1. Sno··· has been falling for hours.
2. The roads have been icy.
3. I haven't left the house.
4. Have you checked the weather?
5. Yes, I have.
6. No, I haven't.



Play the audio. Ask your students to do the task. Then ask them to repeat the correct pronunciation chorally and individually.

3 PRONUNCIATION

B ▶02-12 Underline the stressed words. Then listen and check your answers.



1. I've lived in a place with hurricanes.
2. I've driven on icy roads.
3. I haven't seen a tornado.
4. I've been watching the news a lot.
5. It hasn't rained in a month.
6. The weather has been colder.

Ask your students to read the part focusing on pronunciation.

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READ THE SENTENCES AND PAY ATTENTION TO THEIR PRONUNCIATION.

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C PAIRS Practice the sentences in 3A and B.

Snow has been **falling** for **hours**.
The **roads** have been **icy**.
I **haven't left** the **house**.
Have you **checked** the **weather**?
Yes, I **have**.
No, I **haven't**.

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