



ACTIVITY SHEET

EPISODE 23: ECO-SYSTEMS

Practise and consolidate your learning about the way words are joined in spoken English by completing our activities.

ACTIVITY 1

/h/ - Weak Form

Go to the Study English website <http://australianetwork.com/studyenglish>, select Series 2, Episode Twenty Three and listen to the following pairs of sentences. In the first sentence, a word beginning with /h/ is stressed. Notice how the initial /h/ is pronounced. However, in the second sentence, that same word is unstressed, and the initial /h/ is not pronounced.

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| 1. a. Where did <u>HE</u> go? | b. Where did he go? |
| 2. a. Where <u>HAVE</u> you been? | b. Where have you been? |
| 3. a. Tell <u>HIM</u> I love him. | b. Tell him I love him. |
| 4. a. Call <u>HER</u> to come to the table. | b. Call her to come to the table. |
| 5. a. Was <u>HE</u> there? | b. Was he there? |
| 6. a. Where <u>HAS</u> the boy gone? | b. Where has the boy gone? |
| 7. a. Why are <u>HIS</u> things here? | b. Why are his things here? |
| 8. a. Give it to <u>HER</u> will you please. | b. Give it to her will you please. |
| 9. a. Please pay <u>HIM</u> and ask him to leave. | b. Please pay him and ask him to leave. |
| 10. a. How <u>HAVE</u> you been? | b. How have you been? |

ACTIVITY 2

Practise saying the following sentences:

Has Harold got half an hour? Henry needs help and hopes Harold can give him a hand at the house. He will have to hand him a hundred nails and a heap of hardwood and then help him up the hill to fix the house.

In Hartford, Hereford and Hampshire, hurricanes hardly happen.
How kind of you to help him.

ACTIVITY 3

Identify the type of linking in the highlighted phrases. **Note:** C refers to 'consonant' and V to 'vowel'.

- Question 1:** Can I have a glass of ice tea?
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 2:** Come with me and see a movie.
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 3:** How is your job and how are your bosses?
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 4:** I made Donald do his homework.
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 5:** Put Tom's zebra with Sue's xylophone.
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 6:** Go out to our car. Go on!
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 7:** It's in town on First Avenue.
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 8:** Why are they operating on a holiday?
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 9:** What is it on Alan's ankle?
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V
- Question 10:** Pat it and prick it and mark it.
a. C+V b. C+C c. V+V



ANSWERS ACTIVITY 3

Identify the type of linking in the highlighted phrases. **Note:** C refers to 'consonant' and V to 'vowel'.

Question 1: Can I have a glass of ice tea?

a. C+V

Question 2: Come with me and see a movie.

c. V+V

Question 3: How is your job and how are your bosses?

c. V+V

Question 4: I made Donald do his homework.

b. C+C

Question 5: Put Tom's zebra with Sue's xylophone.

b. C+C

Question 6: Go out to our car. Go on!

c. V+V

Question 7: It's in town on First Avenue.

a. C+V

Question 8: Why are they operating on a holiday?

c. V+V

Question 9: What is it on Alan's ankle?

a. C+V

Question 10: Pat it and prick it and mark it.

c. V+V