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Intonation, the "music" of a language, is perhaps the most important element of a correct accent.

Therefore, it is necessary to realize that there are three components to an accent, pronunciation, intonation, and stress.

But what interests us now is the issue of intonation, and in particular the difference in intonation between nouns and verbs.

We will try to hear clearly the difference that intonation makes in the daily use of a proper accent.

Intonation: Noun or Verb

Knowing when and where to stress the words you use is very important for understanding, and is a key to a good accent.

It will be useful for you to be aware of the stress in both cases. Here is a list of a few that are stressed on the first syllable.

Usually (although there are some exceptions), the stress of a verb is on the last syllable, and the stress of a noun is on the first syllable.

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to susPECT: meaning, to have an opinion

a SUSpect: meaning, a person under suspicion

to preSENT: meaning, to give, to introduce

a PREsent: meaning, a gift, now

Now, you do the rest of the table, underlining the accented syllable and defining the word to the best of your ability.

to conflict, a conflict

to contest, a contest

to contract, a contract

to convert, a convert

to convict, a convict

to incline, an incline

to insult, an insult

to object, an object

to permit, a permit

to present, a present

to produce, a produce

to project, a project

to protest, a protest

to rebel, a rebel

to recall, a recall

to reject, a reject

to research, a research

Practice on the following sentences that contain some of the words of the list used both as nouns and as verbs.

You need to insert a paragraph here on this newspaper insert.

How can you object to this object?

I'd like to present you with this present.

The manufacturer couldn't recall if there'd been a recall.

The religious convert wanted to convert the world.

The political rebels wanted to rebel against the world.

The mogul wanted to record a new record for his latest artist.

If you perfect your intonation, your accent will be perfect.

Due to the drought, the fields didn't produce much produce this year.

Unfortunately, City Hall wouldn't permit them to get a permit.

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