

## Words Stressed on the First Syllable

1. The majority of two-syllable words are accented on the FIRST syllable.

**EXAMPLES** Tuéssday áwful éver bróther óven wíndow

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2. Compound nouns are usually accented on the FIRST syllable.

**EXAMPLES** bédroom stóplight schoólhouse bookstóre

3. Numbers that are multiples of ten are accented on the FIRST syllable.

**EXAMPLES** twénty thírty fónty fífty sítty séventy

## Words Stressed on the Second Syllable

1. Reflexive pronouns are usually accented on the SECOND syllable.

**EXAMPLES** mysélf yoursélf himsélf hersélf oursélves

2. Compound verbs are usually accented on the SECOND or LAST syllable.

**EXAMPLES** outdóne outsmárt outdó outrún overloók