



IMPROVE YOUR SPEAKING SKILLS



Pronounce the final « s » !!!!

reasons boasts villas flavours souvenirs places distilleries
pieces views continues fields things demonstrations

Pronunciation of S AT THE END OF WORDS

/ɪz/
SIBILANT

C races
S buses
X boxes
Z prizes
SS kisses
CH watches
SH dishes
GE changes

/ɪz/ Sometimes written as /əz/

/s/
VOICELESS

P sleeps
K books
T hats
F cliffs
GH laughs
PH graphs

/z/
VOICED

B crabs
D words
G bags
L falls
M dreams
N fans
NG sings
R wears
V gloves

There are 3 ways of pronouncing S at the end of a word in English. The pronunciation of words ending in S depends on the final consonant sound.

Words that end in a vowel sound use the /z/ pronunciation for S.
e.g. -- plays -- sees -- tries -- follows -- continues

- Sibilant Sound -
= a hissing or buzzing sound.

- Voiceless Sound -
= the vocal cords do not vibrate.

- Voiced Sound -
= uses the vocal cords and they produce a vibration or humming sound in the throat.

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Put your tongue between your teeth for pronouncing « th » properly

thousand therapy things authentic path through three
south southern north northern third weather throughout
without think both breathtaking





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Remember this basic pronunciation rule:

the end

the air

the Atlantic ocean

Use the sound « schwa » : the syllable is never stressed

capital

botanical

tropical

local

natural

exceptional

banana

spectacular

admire

paradisiacal

villa

scuba diving

climate

paradise

company

especially

traditional

tradition

various

luxurious

meters

facade

unmissable

unforgettable

spectacle

approach

history

America

affordable

fauna





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Revise how to pronounce « -ed »

unexpected

protected

appreciated

disappointed

sculpted

followed

considered

appeared

played

opened

convinced

relaxed

cooked

watched

walked

Pronunciation of ED IN ENGLISH

Pronunciation of ED

/id/

T wanted
D needed

*Voiced Sound
= uses the vocal
cords and they
produce a vibration
or humming sound
in the throat.

(Touch your throat to feel it)

/t/

P helped
K looked
F sniffed
GH laughed
SH washed
CH watched
SS kissed
C danced
X fixed

VOICELESS

/d/

L called
N cleaned
R offered
G damaged
V loved
S used
Z amazed
B rubbed
M claimed

VOICED *

Words that end in a vowel sound use the /d/ pronunciation for ED.
e.g. – played – freed – tried – followed – continued



The pronunciation
of words ending in
ED depends on the
final consonant
sound. There are
three ways to
pronounce ED at
the end of a word
in English:

/id/ /t/ /d/

- Past Tense
Regular Verbs
- Past Participles
- Adjectives

-ed ending:

[t], [d] or [ɪd]

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Pronounce the letter « h » !!

hand has hiking help how hectares highlights
unhelpful heritage

Don't pronounce the « h » (*the exceptions....*)

hour honest honor heir herbs (US)

Don't add the sound « h » when there is no « h » !!

eight /eit/

Don't forget the oral « t » before the sound « ch » or « d » before « g/j »

such as speechless richness cheap approach
orange majority projected juice join us

Make sure you know how to pronounce those basic words:

favourite	walk	flavour	most	filled	museum	sugar cane
famous	salt	kinds	winning	experience	tours	finally
should	circle	urban	half	numerous	idea	ideal
driving	village	island	southern	include	climate	diverse
climbing	European	architecture	language	admire	building	listening
various	modern	mountain	located	able	interesting	hidden
varieties	doubt	clothes	species	allow	powerful	choose
town	final	extreme	talk	treasure	distinct	environment
miles	warm	site	nature	basic	until	



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A diphthong is a long sound (« no » ≠ « dog » ≠ north):

rope

most

boast

know

close

go

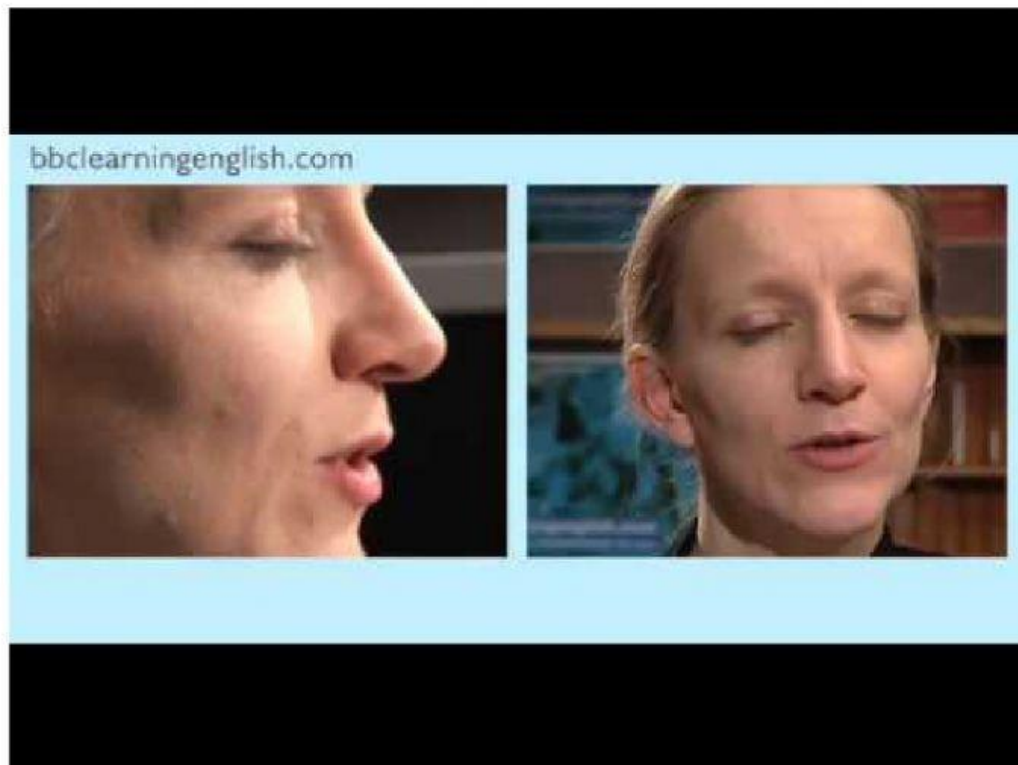
golden

don't

hope

coast

Don't go to the golden coast.



Stress on words:

There are a few rules you may want to learn:

<https://www.englishclub.com/pronunciation/word-stress-rules.htm>



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gastronomy	interesting	paradisiacal	architecture	comfortable
accommodation	paradise	luxurious	festival	unforgettable
packages	biodiversity	tradition	extraordinary	Canadian
Caribbean	Canada	Italy	Italian	wilderness
Japan	Japanese	probably	impressive	vacation
scientific	habitat	culinary	forest	scenery



Please beware!!

suite ≠ suit

piece ≠ piss

beach ≠ bitch

island ≠ Iceland

pond ≠ pound

cheap ≠ chip

these ≠ this

heart ≠ hurt



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Click on the number and type the word you heard:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Say the following words out loud. Check your pronunciation by clicking on the number after you said it.

11. finally
12. Allow me to go.
13. I was convinced
14. I hope to go there.
15. thirty-three things
16. authentic gastronomy
17. a hidden paradise
18. deserted beaches
19. various souvenirs
20. most villages
21. urban architecture
22. unspoilt environment
23. appeared
24. disappointed
25. his favourite clothes
26. many reasons
27. an ideal place
28. a famous mountain
29. tropical climate
30. breathtaking scenery