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Intervention 5

Developing features of pronunciation

Watch this Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix movie clip as many times as you need and then do the activities below.



Parts of the tone group :

(TS) **Tonic Syllable**: Is the main stress in the unit.

(OS) **Onset**: Is the first stressed syllable in the unit.

(PH) **Pre-head**: Is anything unstressed at the beginning of the unit.

(H) **Head**: is everything from the onset to the tonic syllable.

(T) **Tail**: Is everything after the tonic syllable.

Example: I don't need to talk to you about anything.

PH OS

TS

Tail

Activity 1

Tone group

In the following sentences from the movie, place the parts of the tone group in the corresponding column, pre-head (PH), onset (OS), tonic syllable (TS) and tail (T).

- a) You found the room of Requirement.
- b) It's also known as the come and go room.
- c) It's like Hogwarts wants us to fight back.
- d) There will be no need to talk.
- e) Give me your best shot.

PH	OS	TS	T

Every tone group (TG) has one intonation pattern; the pattern begins at the TS and ends at the end of the unit. If the TG has not tail, the pattern will bend. If the TG has a tail, the pattern will include step. **Remember:** Tone groups are said in a single breath.

Activity 3

Step & Bends.

In these sentences, indicate which ones have a **bend pattern** and which ones have a **step pattern**. Then, clicking on the microphone, repeat them with the given intonation.

- 1) You found the room of Requirement.

- 2) But yes, that is the general idea.

- 3) You will please copy the approved text four times to ensure maximum retention.

- 4) Stunning is one of the most useful spells in your arsenal.

- 5) It's sort of a wizard's bread and butter, really.

There are two common tone group sequences in English, they are: falling rising/fall (F-R/F) and fall/rising (F/R) when the falling tone is the main clause.

Activity 3

Tone sequences

In the following thought sequences from the movie, select which of the two common patterns each one follows. Then, clicking on the microphone, repeat them with the given tone sequence.

- a) The room of Requirement only appears when a person has a real need of it and is always equipped for the seeker's needs.

- b) You're just flourishing to your wand too much, try like this.

- c) Working hard is important, but there's something that matters even more, believing in yourself.

- d) Think on it this way, every great wizard in history started out as nothing more than what we are now, students.

- e) Now, we're not going to be meeting again until after the holidays, so just keep practicing on your own as best you can.