

Intonation Patterns:

- *The description of an intonation pattern is the manner a person's voice raises and lowers dependent on what they are speaking about. An example of an intonation pattern is raising your voice at the close of a question.*
- *It is the variation in the pitch of the speaker's voice used to convey information or alter meaning.*
- **Rising intonation**
- *Rising intonation describes how the voice rises at the end of a sentence. Rising intonation is shared in yes-no questions:*
- *I listen to the Health Centre is expanding. So, is that the new doctor?*
- *Are you thirsty?*
- **falling intonation**
- *Falling intonation describes how the voice falls on the final stressed syllable of a phrase or a cluster of words. A falling intonation is very shared in wh-questions.*
- *Where's the nearest Hospital?*
- *There are three basic pitches in English – normal, high, and low.*
- *The normal pitch is where the voice usually is.*
- *High is where the voice rises to specify information focus.*
- *Low is where the voice falls, usually at the end of sentences.*