

Contrastive stress

Contrastive stress is the extra stress or emphasis that is placed on words to show contrast or difference. Listening for contrastive stress can help you understand when a speaker is comparing or contrasting ideas.

Indoor pollution includes dust, mold, tobacco smoke, pet hair, and various chemicals used for cleaning. Outdoor pollution includes particulate matter and ground-level ozone.

10  **7.3** Listen to the sentences and write the contrasting information.

- 1 situation for some asthmatics: _____
situation for other asthmatics: _____
- 2 more common: _____
less common: _____
- 3 don't know: _____
do have: _____