

Compound Noun Stress

Learning target

Identify which part of a compound noun or phrase receives the strongest stress.

MINI LESSON

Compound nouns usually stress the **FIRST** part: **GREEN**house.

Descriptive phrases often stress the **SECOND** word: green **HOUSE**.

EXERCISE 1 • LISTEN & IDENTIFY



Listen to audio items 1-6. Choose **FIRST** or **SECOND** to mark the stronger part.

1 greenhouse

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

2 green house

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

3 blackbird

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

4 black bird

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

5 hot dog

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

6 hot dog

SELECT ONE

[Add SINGLE CHOICE here]

TIP

Stress can change meaning: a **GREEN**house is different from a green **HOUSE**.

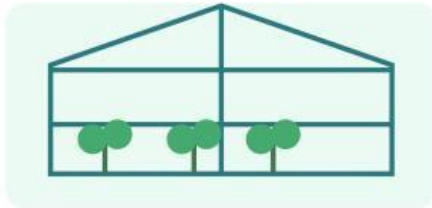
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EXERCISE 2 • LISTEN & CHOOSE THE PICTURE

Listen to audio items 7-9. Select the picture that matches what you hear.



7. What is described?



A. Glass building for plants

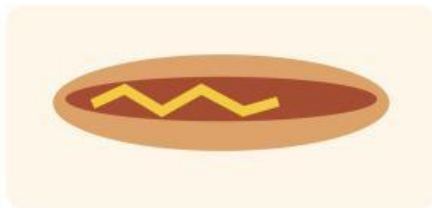


B. Green-colored house

ANSWER:

[A or B]

8. What is described?



A. Food



B. A warm animal

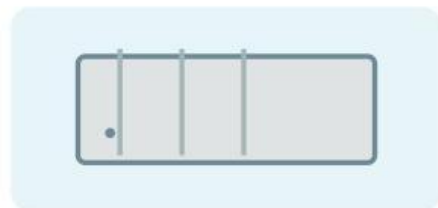
ANSWER:

[A or B]

9. What is described?



A. Writing board



B. White wooden board

ANSWER:

[A or B]

Review your results. Which stress pattern was most difficult for you?