



Canadian Pronunciation

Linking

- Remember: Linking does not mean speaking quicker. The last sound in one word connects to the first sound in the next word without either word disappearing.
- In a sentence, remember to link the last sound in a word to the first sound in the next word. This helps your fluency and your word stress.
- Some words link to form new, often slang words. (Examples: going to = gonna' cup of = cuppa; should have = should a)
- When the weak syllables "and", "or" and "of" are linked to stop sounds, they become schwas. (Examples: tub of butter = tubba butter; Is that a toad or a frog? = Is that a toader a frog?; Brad and Jim = Bradn Jim)
- In a sentence, link the final stop sound in a word to the vowel sound in the next word. (Example: Stub out your cigarette. = Stubout your cigarette.)