

Stress in Long Words

Can you underline the syllable of each of these words which carries the heaviest stress. The stress in long words frequently falls on the syllable third from the end (enJOYable, proHIBitive) but be careful, this is by no means always true!

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| 1. cigarette | 25. account | 49. indifferent |
| 2. telephone | 26. accountant | 50. inhabitant |
| 3. shampoo | 27. analysis | 51. insincere |
| 4. apology | 28. appreciation | 52. irresponsible |
| 5. industrial | 29. coincidence | 53. laboratory |
| 6. university | 30. congratulations | 54. margarine |
| 7. necessity | 31. contribute | 55. mediocre |
| 8. inconvenient | 32. contribution | 56. mountaineer |
| 9. unnecessary | 33. diplomatic | 57. pedantic |
| 10. misunderstand | 34. directory | 58. political |
| 11. vegetable | 35. economical | 59. politician |
| 12. elastic | 36. educational | 60. populated |
| 13. architect | 37. elegant | 61. proposal |
| 14. carelessness | 38. elucidate | 62. proposition |
| 15. advertisement | 39. engineer | 63. recipe |
| 16. pedestrian | 40. engineering | 64. receptionist |
| 17. photograph | 41. European | 65. requisite |
| 18. photography | 42. expansion | 66. respectable |
| 19. photographic | 43. fantastic | 67. spontaneous |
| 20. temporary | 44. hypochondriac | 68. statistical |
| 21. mechanical | 45. hypocritical | 69. statistics |
| 22. eligible | 46. important | 70. thermometer |
| 23. illegible | 47. impotent | 71. unanimous |
| 24. enthusiastic | 48. impractical | 72. unconventional |

Note: We have tried to use only words which you may find useful in speaking English. If there are any which you do not know, perhaps you could look them up in your dictionary and find out how to use them.

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