

TOPIC 10

LINKING – FINAL CONSONANTS



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RULE 1: Consonant to vowel linking

RULE: Link the last consonant sound to the first vowel sound of the next word.

what's up → what **t's up** what **'sup** what **'s up**

How's it going? → How **'s it** going?

RULE2: Consonant to consonant linking

RULE: When the first word ends with a consonant sound and the next word starts with the same consonant sound, only pronounce it once (a little longer).

Hi, I'm calling to remind you that **t t** there is a meeting next **t T** Thursday.

Sorry, could you repeat **t t** that please?

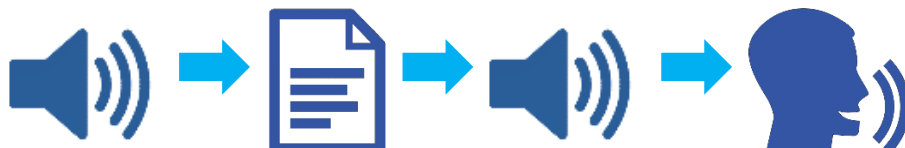
RULE 3: /d/ or /t/ + /y/ = d3/

RULE: When /d/ or /t/ is linked to /y/, it often forms the sound /d3/, especially in questions.

remind **d y** you

could **d y** you

Practice Method



- Listen carefully for linking sounds. Jot down notes if necessary.
- Use transcript to check comprehension.
- Listen again circling the linking sounds. Slow speed if needed.
- Practice speaking with linking (read along or shadow).

Practice 1 – Tiffany’s conversation

Hi, I’m calling to remind you that there is a meeting next Thursday.
Sorry, could you repeat that please?
There’s a meeting next Thursday.
What time is the meeting?
Three to five pm
Thanks for the reminder.
No problem!

Practice 2 - Brooklyn 99 sitcom

Season 5 Episode 17 DFW

Jake	So, do you recognize any of these men?
Woman	I was hiding in the bathroom stall, so I didn't see his face. But I heard him. He was singing along to the music at the bar.
Jake	Do you remember what he was singing?
Woman	I think it was that song, "I Want It That Way."
Jake	Backstreet Boys. I'm familiar. Okay. #1, could you please sing the opening to "I Want It That Way"?
#1	Really? Okay. You are My fire
Jake	Number two, keep it going.
#2	The one desire
Jake	Number three
#3	Believe When I say
Jake	Number four.
#4	I I Want It That Way
Jake	Tell me why!
All	Ain't nothing but a heartache
Jake	Tell me why!
All	Ain't nothing but a mistake
Jake	Now number five
#5	I never want to hear you say
Jake	Whoo!
all	I Want It That Way
Jake	Ah, chills! Literal chills.
Woman	It was number five. Number five killed my brother.
Jake	Oh, my God, I forgot about that part.

Video source: Netflix

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