# WELCOME TO ACADEMIC ENGLISH ADVANCED (AEA) LESSON 6

# Welcome Back



Day

Period

Room

- ➤ Good morning, good evening, and good night. → Good Day.
- $\rightarrow$  Hey, how are you?
- ➤ What's up? → Not much, how are you doing?
- ➤ What's going on? → Oh, super busy these days, but good. How about you?
- ➤ How's the day treating you? → It is treating me well. The weather is great
- ➤ How have things been going? → They have been going well. How about you?
- ➤ Hey, long time no see. → I know, really. How have you been?



# MY DOG USED TO CHASE PEOPLE ON A BIKE A LOT.

- Finally it got so bad
- I had to take away his bike.



### DAILY AGENDA

- 1. Gaps, pauses, and blends
- 2. Activity
- 3. Presentation 2 Directions
- 4. Example Presentation



# COMMON BLENDS: FINAL SOUND BECOMES BEGINNING SOUND OF NEXT WORD

http://pronuncian.com/Linking/

■ Don't you → don tsyu or don tsyə

■ Did you → dı d\( \frac{2}{3}\)yə

■ Have to → hæftə

(you have to do it this way)

■ Has to → hæstə

(she has to go)

• Had to  $\rightarrow$  hadtə

(Yesterday I had to help my friend)



# PRONUNCIATION OF A SOUND CHANGES

Depends on what come before and after

■ You do not want to go to that restaurant → you don't wanna go to that restaurant.

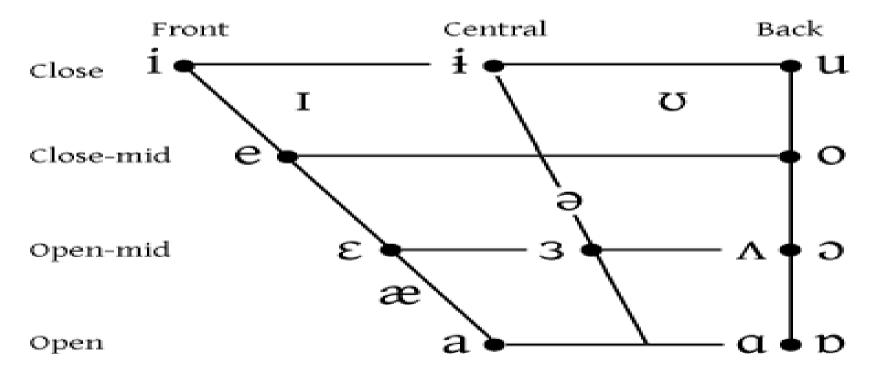
Change to question

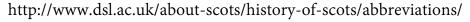
■ Don't you want to go to that restaurant → don chya wanna go to that restaurant



## THE VOWEL SCHWA [a]

Many unstressed vowels in English turn into this vowel







# ARTICLES AND PREPOSITIONS OFTEN CHANGES TO SCHWA

- the book  $\rightarrow$  th[i] book or th[ə] book
- ■a book → [eɪ] book or [ə] book

- The man saw a book above some desks around him.
- The man saw a  $[\vartheta]$  book a $[\vartheta]$ bo $[\vartheta]$ ve so $[\vartheta]$ me desks a $[\vartheta]$ round him.



#### SOUNDS DISAPPEAR AT THE END OF WORDS

- I have a new pet. This often sounds like [pε] instead of [pεt]
- I saw my dad.  $\rightarrow$  [dæ] instead of [dæd]

[h] [th --θδ] sound often disappears at the beginning of pronouns

- I got her a new car. This often sounds like { I got-ter a new car}
- I bought them already. {I boughttem already}



### AND

This often gets reduced to [n]

You gotta blend n reduce grammatical words.



#### SOME PROBLEMATIC CONSONANT CLUSTERS

• ths  $\rightarrow$  months  $\rightarrow$  nts [mants]

• Fifty vs. fifteen (not the same sounds)

• fif fri vs. fif tin



### THÆDL BI QL

That will be all.



#### BLEND AND REDUCE WITH A PARTNER

Look at the sheet and practice pronouncing these sounds

What's up

Not much, "wudjya" like to practice blends?



#### MAKING YOUR REACTION PARAGRAPHS AND PRESENTATIONS BETTER

Make a claim: it should be either true or false.

- I am going to investigate earthquakes in Japan.
- (No claim here)
- Earthquake damage will be reduced if we use flexible, light weight building materials.



### WEAK CLAIMS

- 1. There is no claim (we are examining the history of Okinawa)
- 2. The claim is clearly true. (Fast food is unhealthy)
- 3. Personal belief as a reason for the claim (Italian food is the most delicious). Uses subjective language.
- 4. Conventional wisdom (people are eating too much fast food -- judgement)
- 5. Thesis is too broad and far reaching (we will understand the people of Thailand, free society from problems, change the world)



# REMEMBER TO CONNECT WITH YOUR AUDIENCE

- Rhetorical or Tag questions
- Jokes
- Observation about the audience or previous speaker
- Make who you are relevant for the presentation.
- ➤ I have been working with musicians for 7 years and I can say this confidently: "……." ← Insert your claim.



### REMEMBER SIGNPOSTING

- Understanding my topic requires examining 3 key points
- First, ..... Take for example
- ➤ Following the point, ... In other words,
- Lastly, ..... To restate
- So it should now be clear that A, B and C are crucial when thinking about my
- > topic.



# REACTION PARAGRAPHS WHERE ARE THESE THINGS IN YOUR WRITING

Do you make a claim?

Do you have evidence for your claim?

Do you have a citation with attribution?



### MODEL PRESENTATION 2

Listen to Model Presentation 2

Look for the elements covered in Class

- 1. Connecting with the audience
  - 2. Engaging the audience
    - 3. Making a clear claim
    - 4. Evidence for claim
- 5. Repeating the claim in the conclusion

