

# **PRONUNCIATION MISTAKES**

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# COMMON PRONUNCIATION MISTAKES

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# **COMMON PRONUNCIATION MISTAKES**

## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THE “-ED” SOUND?

“Ed” at the end of regular verbs in the past tense is pronounced in 3 different ways:

- /ld/
- /t/
- /d/

/i:/ /ə/ /ð/



## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THE “-ED” SOUND?

**/Id/ (id)** - Regular verbs that end in /d/ or /d/  
end in an /Id/ sound.

- Need → needed /Id/
  - End → ended /Id/
  - Start → started
  - Want → wanted /Id/
- 
- Tip: /Id/ sounds like “did”

## WHERE CAN I FIND THE PHONETIC TRANSCRIPTION OF WORDS?

**/t/ - Regular verbs that end  
in an unvoiced consonant sound.**

- Unvoiced sounds: no vibration in the throat. We are not using our vocal chords.
- Unvoiced consonants sounds include (sounds not the letter):

/f/ /k/ /p/ /s/ /t/  
(sh) and (ch) sounds

## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THE “-ED” SOUND?

**/f/ Laugh → laughed**

**/k/ Like → liked**

**/p/ Stop → stopped**

**/s/ Miss → missed**

**(sh) Wash → washed**

**(ch) Watch → watched**

**\*/t/ Ask → Asked**

## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THE “-ED” SOUND?

**/d/ - Regular verbs that end  
in a voiced consonant sound.**

- Voiced sounds: voiced means that we are using our vocal chords, we are making a sound.
- Voiced consonants sounds include (sounds not the letter):

/b/ /g/ /v/ /z/ /m/ /n/ /l/ /th/ /r/

sounds

## HOW TO PRONOUNCE THE “-ED” SOUND?

Some examples:

**/b/** Grab → **grabbed**

**/g/** Beg → **begged**

**/v/** Use → **used**

**/n/** Listen → **listened**

**/l/** Kill → **killed**

**EXAMPLES OF WORDS IN  
ENGLISH WITH SILENT LETTERS  
AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WORD**

## **WORDS BEGINNING WITH A SILENT LETTER “H”**

- Hour
- Honour
- Honest
- Heir
- Herbs (US)

## **WORDS BEGINNING WITH A SILENT LETTER “P”**

- Psychology
- Psychiatrist
- Pseudo
- Pneumonia
- Pneumatics



**INITIAL-STRESS-DERIVED  
NOUNS**

## INITIAL-STRESS-DERIVED NOUNS

The pronunciation changes when the stress of a verb moves to the first syllable in the word when it becomes a noun or adjective.

The explanation can be confusing, let's look at some examples:

Record (v): "I must remember to **re**cord my TV show."

Record (n): "The American swimmer has broken many world **re**records"

Export (v): "companies **ex**port many goods."

Export (n): "the **ex**port of weapons is prohibited." (BrEng)

## INITIAL-STRESS-DERIVED NOUNS

**Implant** (v) **Implant** (n)

**Project** (v) **Project** (n)

**Upgrade** (v) **Upgrade** (n)

**LET'S PRACTICE TOGETHER!**

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

1. What sounds do the following verbs end with?

Talked

Spotted

Improved

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

2. Identify the word with the silent letter “h”:

Honour – Hotel - Habit

ANSWER IN THE COMMENTS BELOW

3. What sounds do you find difficult to pronounce in English?

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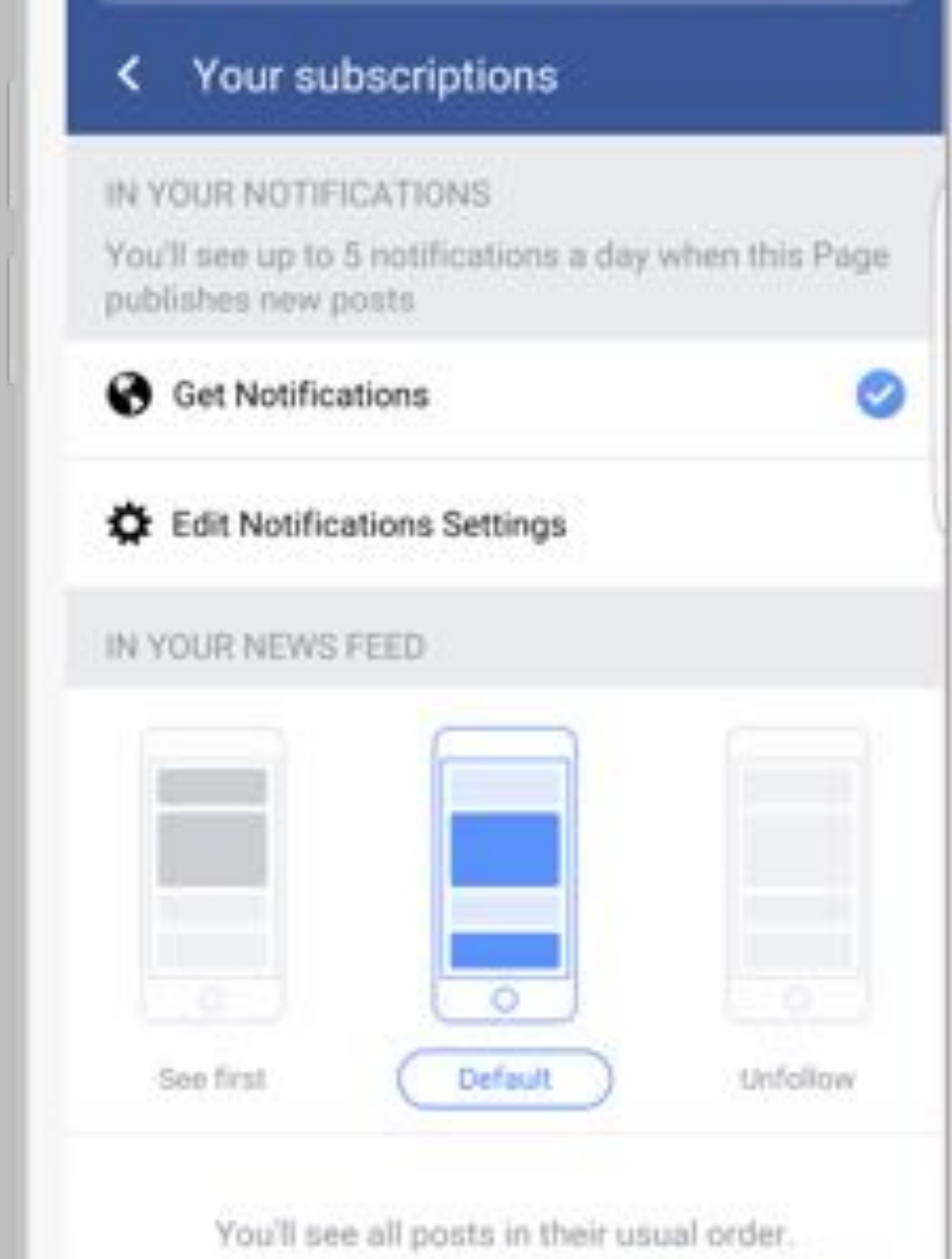
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