

7 Secrets to Improving Spoken English

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Accent

Elongated Nouns

Hard Rs

Light Ls

Crisp Consonants

Short sentences with strong endings

Volume

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al/lele	lu/ci/fer/ase
ma/la/ri/a	con/fo/cal mi/cro/sco/py
pro/to/col	sta/ti/sti/cal lit/er/ac/ly
te/lo/mer/ase	cor/re/la/tion
me/thy/la/tion	link/age dis/e/quil/i/bri/um
chro/ma/to/gram	mul/ti/cul/tur/al
e/pi/de/mi/o/lo/gi/cal	R/N/A/in/ter/fer/ence
pa/ra/meters	pre/li/mi/nar/ly re/sults
pre/fron/tal cor/tex	cry/stal/line stru/cture
phos/phor/ly/la/tion	re/dis/tri/bu/tion
chlor/o/form	de/ve/lop/men/tal al/gor/i/thms
im/mu/no/fluor/es/cence	ar/che/o/bac/ter/i/al
a/de/no/car/ci/no/ma	mem/brane per/me/a/bil/it/y
pseu/do/her/ma/phro/di/ti/sm	en/do/the/li/o/lo/gy
di/seas/es	ra/di/o/car/bon
tem/por/ar/i/ly	ar/ti/fi/ci/al e/quil/i/bri/um
re/search lab/(o)ra/tor/ly	trans/la/tion/al re/search
2/yeast/hy/bri/di/za/tion	li/pid drop/let
glu/co/cor/di/coid re/cep/tor	me/sen/chy/mal and
cho/les/ter/ol trans/fer/ase	e/pi/the/li/al cells

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Acronyms

P.N.C.F.L.
N.H.G.R.I.
G.S.L.I.S.
H.A.B.R.
M.W.B.E.
U.I.U.C.
A.A.A.S.
I.G.T.2.B.7.
SERPIN A.3.

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Crisp Consonants

viral vector
chromosome
graduated
wavelength
traveling
evolved
developed

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traveling-ah (ə)
chromosom-ah
graduated-ah

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Onomatopoeic (-tic) Words

bark, beep, bubble, buzz, chew, circuit,
clatter, cough, crash, drum, fluff, gurgle,
hiccup, honk, huff, jagged, jingle, kick,
lily, lullaby, meow, hum, neon, long, pop,
pour, quick, retch, rip, roar, round,
shuffle, sniff, squeak, stick, thud, trickle,
vacuum, vigor, vim, whip, whirr, axes,
zoom, sizzle

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I went to the store to buy broccoli.

I went to the store to buy broccoli, and then I
stopped by the dry cleaners to pick up my shirts.

**I went to the store to buy broccoli, and then I
stopped by the dry cleaners to pick up my
shirts, and after that I filled my car with gas.**

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Conjunctions

and, but, or, so

after, after all, also, although, as a result, as far as, as in, as soon as, because, before, besides, consequently, even if, even though, except, finally, for, for example, furthermore, hence, how, however, if, in addition, in as much as, in case (that), in fact, in order that, in other words, incidentally, indeed, insofar as, instead, lest, likewise, meanwhile, moreover, nevertheless, next, no matter how, nonetheless, nor, now, on the contrary, on the other hand, once, otherwise, provided (that), since, so that, still, supposing (that), that, then, therefore, though, thus, unless, until, when as, whenever, whereas, whether, while, why, yet

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Cultural Expectations

- **Code words**
- **90% eye contact**
- **Firm handshake**
- **Name Gap**
- **Volume**

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More Resources

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