

Unstressed Consonants

Can you remember what unstressed vowels are?

Can you think of an example?

Chocolate

Poisonous

What strategies can you recall to learn spellings?

Spell-Speak: Choc-o-late

Words in words: Chocolate

Look say Cover Write Check

Highlighting: Chocolate

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Both these words have unstressed vowels (the 'o').

We also have words with unstressed consonants that can also be awkward to learn:

handbag

centre

Wednesday

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Can you spot the unstressed consonants in this passage?
There are at least 11...

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Your teacher will read two sentences. Write them down in your books, and be prepared to think about the 3 words with unstressed sounds in each.

Last Wednesday, 3 February, our school held a 'Take care of our environment' day.

Each class had a separate theme, class one's theme was growing vegetables, ours was to make miniature gardens.