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Supplementary Pronunciation Lessons (Unit 9)

PRONUNCIATION OF UNSTRESSED WORDS

Words that carry the most information in a sentence are usually stressed. These words are generally nouns, main verbs, possessive pronouns, adverbs, and adjectives.

Words such as articles, helping verbs, personal pronouns, and prepositions are unstressed.

For example:

I'm GOING to NEED a RENTAL CAR in DUBAI.
WHAT DATE are you ARRIVING?

Exercise 1 Listen to the conversations about travel services again on page 104 of the Student's Book. Fill in the blanks with the unstressed words. Then read and practice the conversation.

A: GOOD MORNING. HOW _____ ASSIST _____ TODAY?

B: _____ FLYING _____ BOGOTÁ _____ OCTOBER 6, _____ NEED _____ LIMOUSINE.

A: CERTAINLY. _____ YOU ALONE?

B: NO. _____ TRAVELING _____ THREE CHILDREN. _____ HAVE LOTS _____ LUGGAGE.

A: THAT'S NO PROBLEM. _____ BOOK _____ LIMO _____ LARGE TRUNK _____ LUGGAGE. _____ GOING _____ NEED _____ HOTEL RESERVATION _____ BOGOTÁ?

B: NO, THANK _____. BOGOTÁ _____ HOME.