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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.