

# Pronunciation

## Word Stress 1



Pre-Intermediate

**Activity 1:** Put the words into the correct columns. Look at the examples first.

(□□ = stress on first syllable, □□ = stress on second syllable)

empty guitars against alarm argue bathroom control crowded event  
improve retired jumper lawyer lovely pavement prefer prevent protect  
routine scissors stomach towels wedding without

Column 1	Column 2
□□	□□
<i>empty</i>	<i>guitars</i>

**Activity 2:** Practise saying the words in Column 1, then Column 2.

**Activity 3:** Practise saying these phrases.

1. routine event
2. empty stomach
3. without control
4. improve scissors
5. lovely jumper
6. protect guitars
7. prevent alarm
8. cotton towels
9. crowded pavement
10. argue against
11. lovely wedding
12. prefer guitars
13. retired lawyer
14. protect against

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## Word Stress 1 Gamesheet



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Enter at the WAY IN sign. You can move up, down or across through the maze (not diagonally), but only on words with **the stress on the first syllable**. Exit at the WAY OUT sign.

protect	guitars	improve	without
against	lawyer	pavement	stomach
prevent	crowded	prefer	wedding
event	bathroom	alarm	argue
jumper	empty	routine	towels
lovely	control	retired	scissors

WAY OUT ↓

↑ WAY IN