

## American English Pronunciation

### Linking Final T words to vowels

In sentences, when a word has a final T and the coming sound is a vowel, reduce the T (to a sound like a fast T, or D) and link to the coming vowel, without pausing.

Sentence	Way to Pronounce
1. Wait in the doctor's office.	1. <u>Waidin</u> the doctor's office.
2. Let's eat an apple.	2. Let's <u>eedan</u> apple.
3. Put it by the door.	3. <u>Pudit</u> by the door.
4. How smart are whales?	4. How <u>smardare</u> whales?
5. The sun gives heat and light.	5. The sun gives <u>heedand</u> light.
6. School starts at eight o'clock.	6. School starts at <u>eighdo</u> 'clock.
7. The lake has a lot of water.	7. The lake has a <u>lodof</u> water.
8. Put a hat on.	8. <u>Puda</u> hat on.
9. I got a sandwich for lunch.	9. I <u>goda</u> sandwich for lunch.
10. Take your coat off.	10. Take your <u>coadoff</u> .
11. My favorite ice cream is chocolate.	11. My <u>favoridice</u> cream is chocolate.
12. Some kids fight over toys.	12. Some kids <u>fighdo</u> ver toys.
13. The jacket is too tight on me.	13. The <u>jackedis</u> too <u>tighdon</u> me.
14. Pass me a sheet of paper.	14. Pass me a <u>sheedof</u> paper.
15. Color, cut and glue a Valentine.	15. Color, <u>cutand</u> glue a Valentine.
16. Write a story about a happy day.	16. <u>Wrida</u> story about a happy day.
17. Can you get up?	17. Can you gedup?
18. A hoot owl looked at a mouse.	18. A <u>hoodowl</u> looked at a mouse.