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Scaffolding: Approaching the Same Skill in Different Ways

Ways to Practice Pronunciation

1.	syllables	How many syllables are in the word? Which syllable(s) are stressed?
2.	mouthing	How do the lips, tongue and jaw move? Watch and then look at your pronunciation.
3.	important words	What are the important words in the sentence?
4.	intonation	What is the song of the sentence?
5.	volume	Practice saying the word silently, in a whisper, regular volume, loudly.
6.	self-record	Record yourself. How do you sound?

Ways to Learn a Word

1.	define	What does it mean?
2.	listen	How many syllables does it have? Which syllable is stressed? Do any words rhyme with it?
3.	pronounce	Are there any tricky sounds? How does the mouth move when pronouncing the word?
4.	trace	How do you draw the letters of the word? Can you write the word with your finger?
5.	spell	What are the letters in the word? Are there any silent letters?
6.	visualize	Close your eyes. How many letters does the word have? What's the first letter? What's the last letter? What are the vowels?

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7.	personalize	What does the word mean to you? What do you think of when you hear this word?
8.	associate	Where do you hear this word: at work, at school, at the doctor's office?
9.	collocate	Is the word often used with another word?
		(For example: save time, save money, save a seat)
10.	analyze	What is its part of speech? (noun, verb, adjective)
		Can you find a word root? What words have that same root?
11.	categorize	Sort your words according to:
		part of speech
		number of syllables/intonation patterns alphabetical order
		category of meaning
		category or meaning
12.	generate	Write a sentence with the word.
		Use the word in a role-play.