

English Phonetics and Phonology

A practical course

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Chapter 15

Written Exercise

Fill in the gaps in the following sentences.

- 1 A language in which the meaning of a word can be changed by changing its pitch or pitch movement is a _____ language.
- 2 The pitches between a speaker's highest pitch level and their lowest level make up the speaker's _____ .
- 3 The English _____ tone is associated with questions and with expectation of more information to follow.
- 4 The _____ tone is associated with strong approval, disapproval or surprise.
- 5 The _____ tone is associated with finality.
- 6 The _____ tone is associated with responses to routine or uninteresting questions.
- 7 The _____ tone is associated with limited agreement, or responses with reservations.
- 8 The intonation of a list usually has a _____ tone on each item except the last, which usually has a _____ .

Check Answers

Start Again

Answers to Written Exercise **Chapter 15**

- 1 tone
- 2 pitch range
- 3 rise
- 4 rise–fall
- 5 fall
- 6 level
- 7 fall–rise
- 8 rise fall

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Audio Exercise

For each polysyllabic word in the list below, choose from the drop-down menu the tone you heard.

- 1  possibly
- 2  decided
- 3  inevitable
- 4  Saturday
- 5  terrible
- 6  disappeared
- 7  definitely
- 8  indeed
- 9  agreed
- 10  personally

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Answers to Audio Exercise **Chapter 15**

- 1 fall-rise
- 2 fall
- 3 rise-fall
- 4 rise
- 5 rise-fall
- 6 fall
- 7 fall
- 8 rise
- 9 fall
- 10 fall-rise