

Advice and Tips – Week 7 – understanding connected speech – audioscript

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1)

Tomorrow's my favourite word. Tomorrow will be a brand new day, it doesn't matter what happened in the past. I like the pronunciation of this word. It seems full of possibilities leading to a bright future.

2)

Care: it's a very short and simple word but it means a lot. It sounds very open, as is everybody cares.

3)

Happiness: this is my favourite word because I like the sound of it. It makes me feel good when I hear it. You have to smile when you say it and it's one of the first words that I learnt in English.

4)

Octopus: When I started learning English at the age of 10, my dad always helped me with my homework and I thought his English was very good. Then one day I was telling him all the new words we'd learnt that day in class, and when I said "octopus", he just looked at me and said, "Octopus? I've never heard that before. What is that?" I got very excited: this was the first time in my life I knew something my dad didn't! It is a wonderful moment in any child's life, and octopus has been my favourite word ever since.

5)

Probably: Why? Because it's the best answer to give when you don't want to answer a question or make a decision.

6)

Blossom: I really like the word blossom, because I think it sounds as gentle as the thing it represents. It makes me think of young flowers and crisp, sunny spring mornings.

7)

Snow – because I like the quiet snow world. It's white and clean and I love freezing weather. Also, I remember having fun when I was a child and it snowed.