

WORD STRESS : THEORY AND PRACTICE

Note word stresses in the words below. Also select the appropriate rule which applies to each word.

| | NO SUFFIX : Stress on syllable -3 | COMPOUND WORD : Stress on the left element | PREFIXED VERB : Stress on the root |
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| In te rest → in te rested | X | | |
| E co lo gy | | | |
| De ve lop → de ve lop ment | | | |
| In dus try | | | |
| Ins pire | | | |
| Ice land | | | |
| Trans late | | | |
| Dis ap pear | | | |
| Fac to ry work | | | |
| Crafts peo ple | | | |
| Si mi li tudes | | | |

| | Stress on syllable -1 with : –EE / –EEN / –EER –IQUE [i:k] –ESE [i:z] –OO / –OON –ETTE / –ESQUE | Stress on syllable -2 with : –ION / –IOUS –IAN / –IAL –UAL / –UOUS –EOUS / –EAN –IC / –ISH (for a verb) | Stress on syllable -3 with : –ITY / –IFY –ATE [ət] / ATE [eit] –LAR –OUS [əs] |
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| Tol kien | | | |
| E co lo gical | | | X |
| In dus trial | | | |
| Ins pi ra tion | | | |
| Ice lan dic | | | |
| Com mu ni ties | | | |
| Si mi lar | | | |

This is the sentence that you have to read to your partner :

Tolkien was interested in ecological issues.
 He was against the development of industry.
 He must have found inspiration from the sagas of Iceland, translated by William Morris.
 The latter dreamt of a world from which factories had disappeared
 and where communities of crafts people and farmers could develop.
 We have similitudes with that in *The Lord of the Rings*.

This is the sentence that your partner is going to read to you. [Click here](#) and listen to the audio file to help her/him to pronounce it correctly.

Tol**kien** had an **interest** in **ecology**. He was **against** **industrial** development. He was **inspired** by the translation by **William Morris** of Icelandic **sagas**. The **latter** **wanted** a **world** where **factories** had **disappeared** and where **communities** of **country** people and **crafts**people could **flourish**.
Similar ideas can be **found** in *The **Lord** of the **Rings***.