

LESSON PLAN

WORD STRESSING

Aims: words carry important information

Skills practised /needed: speaking

Props: a sentence with different word stressed each time

How to play:

Sentence stress is the pattern of stressed and unstressed words across a sentence. Normally this emphasis is **on words that carry important information**, although this can change significantly, depending on the specific meaning the speaker wants to communicate.

A neighbor's cat overturned flowers in front of the house again yesterday.

A neighbor's **cat** overturned flowers in front of the house again yesterday.

A neighbor's cat **overturned** flowers in front of the house again yesterday.

A neighbor's cat overturned **flowers** in front of the house again yesterday.

A neighbor's cat overturned flowers **in front of** the house again yesterday.

A neighbor's cat overturned flowers in front of **the house** again yesterday.

A neighbor's cat overturned flowers in front of the house **again** yesterday.

A neighbor's cat overturned flowers in front of the house again **yesterday**.



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