

Pronunciation Practice: Pronouncing words with silent letters.

Pronouncing Silent Letters				
P	receipt	psychology	pneumonia	psychic
B	comb	climb	doubt	debt
L	could	half	salmon	chalk
H	honor	hour	heir	honest
T	castle	whistle	fasten	soften
K	knee	knife	know	knot

Review the vocabulary on page 108-109.

Definition: **Moisture**--tiny drops of water in the air or on something. After the rain stops, the air is still **moist**. Something that is **moist** is a little bit wet. You can also say it is **damp**. **Moisten** means to put a small amount of water on something.

Read these paragraphs below and answer the questions. Both partners should answer the questions.

1. There's nothing better after a stressful day than a nice hot bath. I fill the tub with hot water and soak for several minutes. I use lavender soap which scents the whole room. Sometimes, I even use bubble bath. When I get out, I apply moisturizer. I'm always careful to stand on the bath mat because wet feet are dangerous on the slippery tiles. I certainly don't want to fall.

Questions: Without looking at the paragraph, explain what it says. Do you prefer baths or showers? Do you prefer scented or unscented soap? Do you use a moisturizer on your skin? Do you wash your hair in the shower or the sink? What are some ways you pamper yourself?

2. I wash my hair in the shower. I always use conditioner. Afterwards I comb my hair then blow dry it. Sometimes I use a curling iron. I don't use hair spray because it makes my hair stiff. Sometimes I pull my hair back and clip it with a barrette. Other times, I tie it back in a pony tail.

Questions: How much time do you spend on your hair each day? Do you ever think about cutting your hair extremely short so that it would be easy to keep? Does your spouse encourage you to cut your hair or let it grow out? Do you like to color your hair or do you prefer it to be natural? Do you think grey hair makes people look older?

3. My sister won a makeover from a fashion magazine. They cut and styled her hair. They even added some red highlights. Then they applied a lot of makeup. They used heavy black eyeliner around her eyes and very dark lipstick. She wasn't pleased with the results. But they also gave her a manicure and pedicure. That turned out great, as my sister usually doesn't pay any attention to her nails. They are often broken and sometimes she even chews her nails. Now that she has a manicure, her nails are beautiful and she treats them better. She has even stopped chewing on them. So the makeover was fun, but had mixed results.

Definition: mixed results--partially good and partially bad

Questions: Would you like to have a makeover? Would you trust the person doing it to cut and style your hair? Are you a person who spends a lot of time and money on makeup or do you just wash your face and go out? Does the man in your life prefer you to wear makeup?

4. My brother is a fanatic about his personal appearance. He spends hours in the bathroom flossing his teeth, gargling with mouthwash and shaving. Sometimes he wears a moustache and occasionally even a beard. His wife doesn't like facial hair, though, so she usually makes him shave. He complains that razors and razorblades are too expensive. He tells his wife, if he grew a beard, he would save money.

Questions: Do you think most men are concerned about their appearance and willing to spend time on their face and hair? Do men pay attention to what women think about their appearance? How much time does the average man spend on his appearance?