

- #8. Find and transcribe the alternated vowel and consonant phonemes. Give your own examples of vowel + consonant alternations.**

live — life

bath — bathe

breath — breathe

loss — lose

- #9. Read and transcribe the following instances of historical elision. Underline the elided sounds. Add some more examples of your own.**

write

fasten

column

know

soften

lamb

gnat

whistle

sword

listen

castle

debt

Exercise Block 5

- #1. Define the syllabic type and structure of the following words. Underline the peak of the syllable.**

ear

clench

spray

mat

twists

at

must

strength

act

place

pie

asks

spleen

play

texts

- #2. Read the following words. Define the structure of syllables, which consist of consonants. Mark the syllabic sonorant.**

cable

adjacent

sudden

bundle

freedom

pupils

#3. Divide the following words into three groups. Work out the rules determining a syllable boundary for each group. Identify the syllable boundary.

farther	abduct	finish
mother	dreamer	beloved
answer	drummer	lady
baby	afraid	scanner
beggar	corner	admire

#4. Comment on the difference in syllable division of the following English and Russian words.

bigger — бегом	coffee — кофе
model — модель	motto — мотоК
runner — рано	liver — ливер
medal — медаль	Philip — филин
sachet — саше	bitter — бито

#5. Study the following sentences. Find meaningful oppositions. Detect the realization of the phonological function of syllable division.

The gentleman with a black tie has a blacked eye.

I scream whenever I take very cold ice-cream.

At all our evening parties a tall boy invited Jill to dance.

Whenever rain falls, we never have umbrellas.

#6. Study the following examples of open juncture. Turn them into those with close juncture. Transcribe both examples and mark them with [+].

an ice house — a nice house

plum pie — plump eye

it slips — its lips

fine day — find A

keep sticking — keeps ticking

a name — an aim

one zone — one's own

my claim — Mike lame

#7. Separate the following words in orthography if it is possible. Use the rules for syllable separation.

agreeable	plumber
bored	submit
writing	shopgirl
brotherhood	mosaic
desks	swiftly
overcome	postman

Exercise Block 6

#1. Compare the accentual structure of English and Russian words given below. Prove the necessity of word-stress for language learning.

articulation	— артикуляция
sentimentality	— сентиментальность
organization	— организация
distribution	— дистрибуция
temperamental	— темпераментный
illumination	— иллюминация
antagonistic	— антагонистический
nationalization	— национализация

#2. Accent the following polysyllabic words with two or three degrees of stress. Show the differences between British and American pronunciation models.

accelerate	justify	adversary
testify	economize	oratory
memorize	functionary	abdicate
ceremony	enumerate	nationalize
demonstrate	verify	legitimate