

VOCABULARY AND PRONUNCIATION

Noun, verb, and adjective endings

- 1 Look at these sentences from the story of Sherlock Holmes on page 27. Are the underlined words nouns, adjectives or verbs?

He and I examined the room very carefully.

Are they all taking this examination?

Good luck in Africa.

It was such a lucky chance that you were staying in town.

- 2 Look at these noun and adjective endings.

nouns	-ation	-sion	-ment	-ness	-ence	-ance
adjectives	-y	-ly	-ous	-ful	-less	

Complete the charts below and mark the stress.

Noun	Verb	Noun	Adjective
_____	ex'plain	_____	'friendly
invi'tation	_____	fame	_____
_____	trans'late	'laziness	_____
de'cision	_____	_____	'patient
_____	en'joy	_____	'happy
im'provement	em'ploy	care	_____
dis'cussion	_____	_____	'different
_____	'organize	help	_____
_____	i'magine	'beauty	_____
_____	'advertise	guilt	im'portant
im'provement	_____	'danger	_____

- 3 Complete the sentences with one of the words from exercise 1.

- I asked the teacher for help, but unfortunately, I didn't understand his _____.
- Please, can you help me _____ this into English?
- My English _____ a lot after I lived in London for a month.
- Watch out! Be _____ or you'll fall.
- There are many _____ between my two children. They aren't similar at all.
- Motor racing is a very _____ sport.
- Didn't you _____ the film? I thought it was wonderful.
- Thank you for your advice. It was very _____.
- The United Nations is an international _____.
- We received an _____ to Ted and Sarah's wedding.

T 3.8 Listen and check.