

**Linking/ Liaison**

1. In connected speech, we sometimes link words together. The most familiar case is the use of **linking /r/**. The final phoneme /r/ is not pronounced in final position in RP, except when it is followed by a word starting with a vowel.

**Activity 1:** Transcribe the following:

Phrases / Sentences	Transcription
Teacher of English	/ˈti:tʃər əv ˈɪŋɡlɪʃ /
Care about	
Here and there	
It's quite far away.	
It's near here.	
the doctor agreed about it.	
There are three places to visit.	
There's a tour along the river.	
It's made of fur and leather.	
The actor and playwright	
I can't hear anything	
He opened the door and came in.	

2. Many RP speakers use r to link words ending with vowels. This is called **intrusive /r/**

**Activity 2:** Transcribe the following showing using intrusive /r/

Phrases	Transcription
Law and order	/ˈlɔːr ən ˈɔːdə/
media event	
Australia or New Zealand	
idea of it	