Linking

RULE:
If one word ends in a **consonant** sound, and the next word begins with a **vowel** sound, LINK.

Example:  
Is_Ann_around?  
Should_I get_a coffee for_her?

Sometimes the [ h ] is dropped at the beginning of words such as him, her, his, he.

Example:  
Tell_him_I'll call_him after_he gets in.

RULE:
If one word ends in a **vowel**, and the next word begins with a **vowel**, LINK.

Example:  
Please say_it slowly.  
She_always orders cappuccino.  
Do you know_her favourite donut?

RULE:
If one word ends with a **continuant consonant** (not a stop), and the next words begins with a similar sound, LINK.

Example:  
CallLater.  
Can I please_speak to Will?  
Does she miss_school often?  
Do they have_vanilla?

RULE:
If one word ends with a **stop consonant** [ p t k b d g ] and the next word begins with a **consonant**, the stop sound will be “unreleased”, and the sounds will blend together.

Example:  
I ordered_two chocolate_donuts.

If the sounds are the same, you will only say it once.

Example:  
Speak_carefully.  
He's an odd_duck.