Discussion Questions:

- 1) English speakers "eat their words". True / False? This is what I often hear from students but we want them to think a little deeper about what they mean.
- 2) If you answered TRUE for question 1, be specific, what exactly do English people do? Why do they do it?
- 3) We can and should learn how native speakers speak English discuss Even if they don't want to speak in this way, they need to understand spoken English.

Giving Advice:



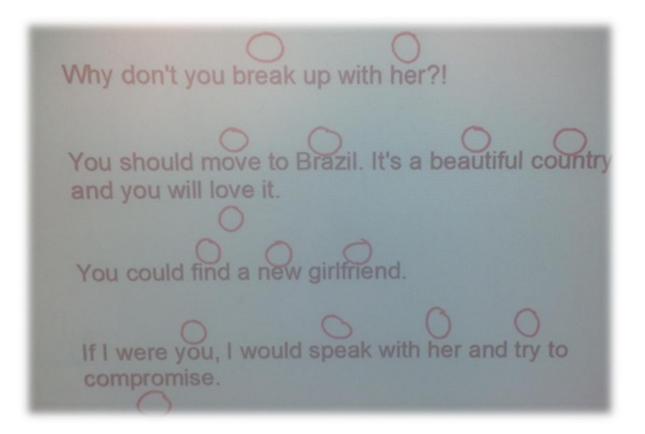
Using the advice forms above, write some advice for your teacher.

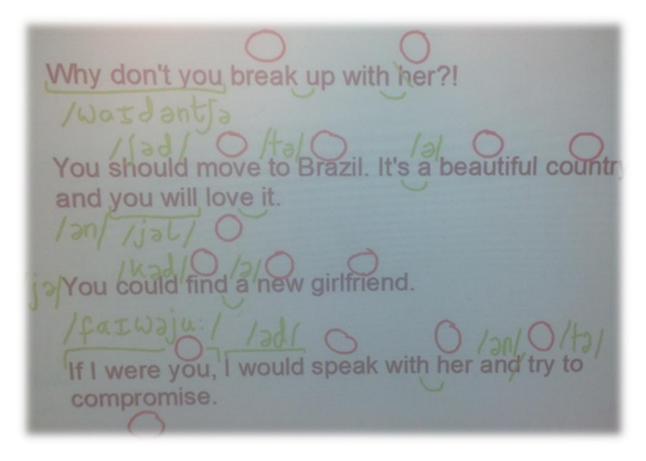
Why don't you break up with her?!

You should move to Brazil. It's a beautiful country and you will love it.

You could find a new girlfriend.

If I were you, I would speak with her and try to compromise.





Sentence Pronunciation Guidelines:

- In English, CONTENT words are usually stressed. E.g. NOUNS, VERBS, ADVERBS and ADJECTIVES.
- 2) Most "grammar" words (articles, pronouns, prepositions) are **UNSTRESSED**. They are called **WEAK** forms and often contain the sound $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$, which is called **THE SCHWA**
- 3) When one word ends in a **CONSONANT** sound and the next word begins with a **VOWEL** sound, the two words will be linked.
- 4) When one word ends in a **CONSONANT** sound and the next word begins with a similar **CONSONANT** sound (e.g. /d/ + /t/), the first sound will disappear and the two words will be **LINKED**.
- 5) The final word in a **CLAUSE** or a **SENTENCE** is usually stressed, even if it is a **PRONOUN**.

(Linked / Consonant x 3 / Vowel / Content / Clause * / Verbs / Weak / Adjectives /

⁹ / Nouns / The Schwa / Adverbs / Unstressed / Sentence / Pronoun)

* A clause is part of a sentence.

You should go home. = 1 sentence with 1 clause.

You should go home and you should speak with your girlfriend. = 1 sentence with 2 clauses.