

Stretched Speech

Stretched Speech, like *Slow Stretched Speech*, involves prolonging syllables. However, it doesn't prolong them for quite as long.



Now you'll say each syllable in ***one second rather than two.***

Therefore you'll be using your *Smooth Movement*, *Easy Voice*, and *Light Contact* skills more

quickly. You'll continue to stretch out vowels and stretchable consonants. You just won't stretch them as much as you have been.

Even though you'll be speaking faster than before, your speech will still be pretty slow, and you'll still say one syllable at a time.

But hang in there: Soon you'll be putting syllables together and speaking faster. It's just that, for now, you're putting all the basic skills together.

NOTES:

Using Stretched Speech:

1. Just as you did with *Slow Stretched Speech*, you'll take a *Relaxed Breath*, gently prolong the first stretchable sound, and then slowly move through the word while making a bell curve. You'll say each syllable in about one second.
2. Listen to the speech models and then practice *Stretched Speech* using *Smooth Movement*, *Easy Voice*, and *Light Contact Words* on pages 27–28, 36, and 40–41.