



LESSON – 17

COMPOUND CONSONANTS

It was already explained that double consonants are formed by adding initial hooks to represent 'r' and 'l' to some consonants.

There are eight compound consonants which are not formed by any uniform principle and so far not explained.

The following table shows the formation and usage of compound consonants:

FORMATION OF COMPOUND CONSONANTS

Letters	Primary Stroke	Added Letter	Added Sign	Compound stroke	Explanation
KW	—	k+w = kw	Large initial hook		Large initial hook to 'k' or 'g' represents addition of 'w'; thus 'kw' 'gw'
GW	—	g+w = gw	Large initial hook		
WH	✓	w+h = wh	Initial hook enlarged	 (up)	The hook of 'w' is enlarged to represent 'wh'.
WL	∪	w+l = wl	Small initial hook	 (up)	Small initial hook inside 'l' represents the addition of 'w'; thus 'wl'.
WHL	∪	wh+l = whl	Large initial hook	 (up)	Large initial hook inside 'l' represents the addition of 'wh'; thus 'whl'.
LR	∪	l+r = lr	L is thickened	 (down)	'L' is thickened to represent the addition of 'r'; thus 'ler'. It is always written downward.
RR	∪	r+r = rr	R is thickened	 (down)	'R' is thickened to represent the addition of 'r'; thus 'rer'.
MP/MB	—	m+p = mp/ m+b = mb	M is thickened or addition of p or b		'M' is thickened to represent 'mp' or 'mb'.



A large initial hook with left motion to the strokes 'k' or 'g', prefixes 'w' and forms compound consonants. The compound consonants

'kw' or 'gw' can be used initially, medially and finally; thus,

quire, query, quest, acquire, quicker,
 quarrel, Guatemala, liquid, require,
 lingual, Uruguay.

A small circle may be prefixed to 'kw'; thus squash, square.

Circles, Loops or any attachments may be added finally to 'kw' or

'gw'; thus, squeeze, quest, sequences,

requisition, enquiry, Maguire.

The compound consonant of 'kw' is not used in words like quality, equality, etc. where a clear outline cannot be obtained by writing 'kw'.

When the sound of 'w' and 'h' occurs together i.e. 'wh', the initial hook of 'w' is enlarged to represent the compound consonant of








'wh'. Final attachment can be added to 'wh', however, 'wh' does not occur finally; thus, whip, wherein, nowhere,
 whisky, whistle.





A small initial hook written inside the stroke upward 'l', prefixes 'w' and forms a compound consonant 'w+l', which is used initially,







medially and finally; thus, well, wooly, Weldon,



welcomer, wealth, unwell. Final attachments of circles, loops or hooks are added to 'wl'; thus, woolen, willis.

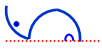
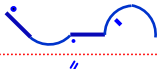


A large initial hook written inside the stroke upward 'l', **prefixes** 'wh' and forms a compound consonant 'wh+l', which is used initially, and finally; thus,  wheel,  whelm,  whaler,  while,  meanwhile. Final attachments of circles, loops or hooks may be added to 'whl'; thus,  wheels,  whilst.

When a word begins with vowel and followed 'wl', 'whl', the outline is to be written fully; thus, compare,  well, but  aweel,  while, but  awhile.




The downward 'l' is **thickened** for the addition of 'r' and thereby represents the compound consonant of 'lr'. The vowel between 'l' and 'r' is generally unaccented short vowels 'e', 'a', 'u' etc. generally occurred in the end of spellings -lar, -ler, -lour, -lor; thus,  fuller,  valour,  ruler,  scholar,  chancellor,  counselor.


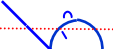








A small circle can only be attached finally to the compound consonant 'lr'; thus,  rollers,  counselors.





When a strongly sounded vowel occurs between 'l' and 'r', strokes 'l' and 'r' are to be used;  failure,  Bangalore.


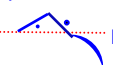


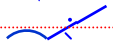
When a vowel follows final 'lr', stroke 'l' and 'R' are to be used; thus,  fullery,  valorous,  ancillary.









When 'l' is having an initial attachment like circle, loop, or hook, 'lr' is not used and strokes 'l' and 'r' are to be used; thus,  sailor,  wheeler,  stealer.

After straight downstrokes of p, b, t, d, ch, j, k, g, s, m. l(up) 'lr' is written with strokes 'l' and 'r'; thus,  pillar,  popular,  boiler,  trawler,  dealer,  cooler,  assailor,  miller,  similar,  jeweler.






After straight downstrokes, horizontals or upstrokes or right-hand curves with final circle, 'lr' is written with strokes 'l' and 'r'; thus,  pussler,  bookseller,  wrestler,  muscler.






The downward 'r' is thickened for the addition of 'r' and thereby represents the compound consonant of 'r+er'. The vowel between 'r' and 'r' is restricted to the short vowel 'e'. Hence, if any other vowel occurs between 'r-r', the compound consonant of 'rer' is not used; thus,  bearer,  repairer,  scorer but  horror,  mirror, are written with 'r'-r'.








Initially, small circle 's', large circle 'sw', small loop 'st', tick 'h' may be prefixed; thus,  soarer,  swearer,  starrer,  hirer.



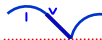
Finally, small circle 's' can only be added to the compound consonant 'rer'; thus,  scorers,  bearers.







The stroke 'm' is thickened adds 'p' or 'b' and thereby represents the compound consonant 'mp' or 'mb' and this shall be used to represent 'mp' or 'mb' without a vowel between them, initially, medially and finally; thus,  imbibe,  impel,  trumpet,  tramp,  shampoo.







The initial attachments of circles, loops, hooks or tick 'h' may be attached to the compound consonants 'mp' or 'mb', in the same manner as they are attached to other curves; thus,  sympathy,  swamp,  stamp,  scamper,  hemp.

Finally, attachments of circles, loops or hooks may be added to 'mp' or 'mb'; thus,  impose,  imposes,  imposed,  imposters,  impugn,  ambition,  impositions.

The compound consonant of 'mp' or 'mb' is not used when a vowel occurs between 'm-p' or 'm-b'; thus,  map,  mob,  mobile.

'mp' or 'mb' is not used when 'm' is followed by 'pr', 'br', 'pl', 'bl' and should be written with stroke 'm' and hooked form; thus,  impress,  amply,  simple,  emblem.

GRAMMALOGUES

 whether  impossible  importance  important  improve-d  improvement



EXERCISE - 20

Write outlines for the following words, verify them with the 'key', and practise them at least three lines each.

1)	equity	whack	wheels	foiler	fairer	impeach
2)	quaker	whisper	crownwheel	leveler	admirers	embassy
3)	quarrel	whereby	whelp	dweller	adorer	impair
4)	liquify	willow	cog-wheel	scholars	error	thump
5)	squib	wolf	welfare	scholarly	emperor	impel
6)	quality	Welsh	wallposter	cellular	purser	amply

Decipher the following outlines and write correct words/phrases, verify them with the 'key' and practise them, at least three lines each.

(1)						
(2)						
(3)						
(4)						
(5)						
(6)						



Write the following passages in shorthand in your shorthand notebook, verify them with 'key' and practise the scripts, as many times, as you can.

(1) Dear-Sir, We-were especially pleased to-receive your inquiry, and-we-are happy to-have-the chance to-tell-you some-thing in relation to-our new and improved water heater. It-is put in plain language fully in-the enclosed circular. For any additional information, please write to us again, and-we-shall-be happy to provide-you such information on any details you-may-require.

We-wish to know whether you use gas or oil, but you-will-be-pleased to know-the price is-the same for either type. This heater has-been so significantly improved to-save-the cost of operation from a quarter to a half of-the former cost.

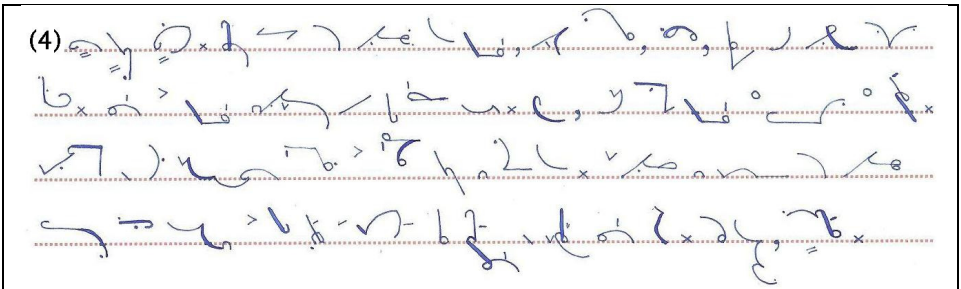
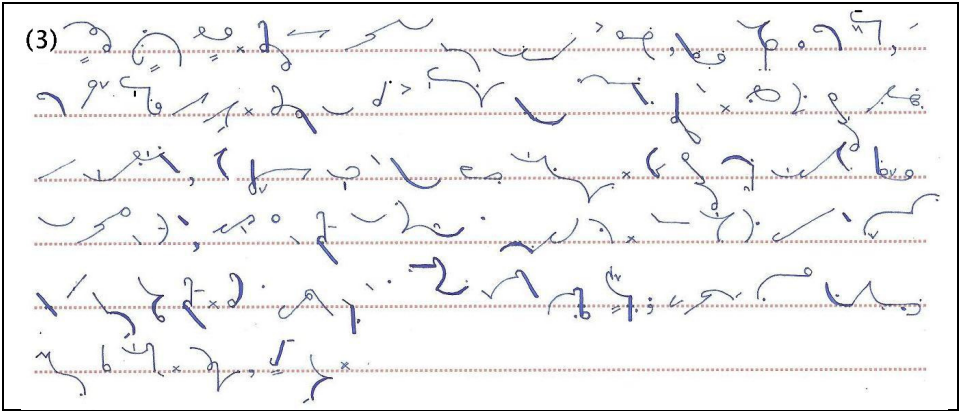
These heaters are now on display by dealers everywhere through-out-the State, and-we suggest you to inspect them at-the first chance. Your local dealer will-be-pleased to-tell-you which heater will-be sufficient for-your purpose, for-it-is-important to-have-the right size. He-will-be happy to-give-you also details of-the cost of installation. Very-truly-yours,

(2) We-wish to acquire several pieces of-property in Bangalore near-the property we-now hold, for-the purpose of housing-the whole of-our assembling work in a new factory which-we propose to set-up. Perhaps, you-will tell-us quickly if-you hear of any bits of property is available for sale, and-thus give us a chance to scrutinize.

We-are anxious to begin work on-our new factory this summer. If-we-are-unable to-purchase-the property within-the next two-months, there-is every likelihood, we-shall-have to postpone operations till-the next season. Any information you-may obtain for-us will-be a very huge help. Very-truly-yours.



Transcribe and write the following script into longhand, verify with 'key', correct it and practise the script, as many times, as you can.



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