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**Using the YouGlish Resource**

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The YouGlish resource provides a searchable collection of YouTube videos that visitors can use to explore pronunciation of English. By accessing the video clips of speakers making presentations, you have the opportunity to search for a single word, a multi-word term, or a phrase spoken within the context of a sentence. You can access the site here: https://youglish.com.

**Conducting a Basic Search**

- Open the site and type the word **economic** in the search field. Click on Say it! on the right

- Notice (below the search field and above the video) that many examples are provided. Above where the number of examples is shared, click on either AUS for Australian or UK to narrow the results. If a pop-up window arises, click on the x in the upper right corner to close it. The option to narrow results based on accents will typically not perfectly sort the results, but works well overall

- Click on the play arrow in the bottom left corner of the video to listen to the first example

- After you've listened to a bit of that, click on pause (the same button you clicked to play the video)

- Notice that the transcript is provided below the video

**Exploring Viewing Options**

- Look below the video play button (and above the transcript) for the other control icons, then try each choice below using that row of controls

- Click on the arrow to the left of the play/pause button to listen to the example again. After you listen to a bit of the excerpt, click pause

- Click on the -5 arrow to the left of the replay arrow to go 5 seconds further back. After you listen to a bit of the excerpt, click pause

- . Click on the forward button (to the right of play) to access the next example

- After you've listened to that, click the same button to listen to another example. Listen to another example, then click pause

**Searching for a Multi-Word Example**

- Add a second word, **development,** after **economic** in the search field, shifting the search to **economic development**.

- Change the accent (below the search field) to US and then click on Say it!

- Click on play to listen to the first example. Then click on the forward arrow (to the right of the play button) again to listen to the next example

- Click on the forward arrow three more times to listen to additional examples **What did you notice about the pronunciation?**

  *Note:* Those two pronunciation variants are both commonly used

- Change the words in the search field to **silver nanoparticles**, then click on Say it! Play the first example and then click pause

**Exploring Additional Viewing Options**

- Look to the right of the forward button. To the right of the word SPEED, click on the down arrow until you reach x0.75. Click on the forward arrow to play the next video

- After you watch a bit of that, click pause. Click on the up SPEED arrow until the settings says x1.1 and click on replay (left of the play button)

- Click on pause, then adjust the speed back to normal by using the down arrow

- Change the search to this phrase: They are determining

- Click on the dots in the bottom right corner of the transcript to access an alternate view. Click on play to experience how that new view of the transcript functions, then click pause. Notice the x at the top right of the transcript. Click on that if you prefer the original view

- Just above that x, click on the symbol of the lightbulb if you prefer a darker mode. To explore other view options, click on the two buttons to the left of the lightbulb icon

**Related Resources**

You can view our screencast tutorial for YouGlish on our DukeWritesSuite site here: https://dukewritessuite.com/screencasts/youglish/. Video tutorials for additional online resources are provided there. Transcripts are also provided.

The view options available in YouGlish have changed since our DukeWritesSuite screencast tutorial was recorded. The toggle switch demonstrated there is no longer available.