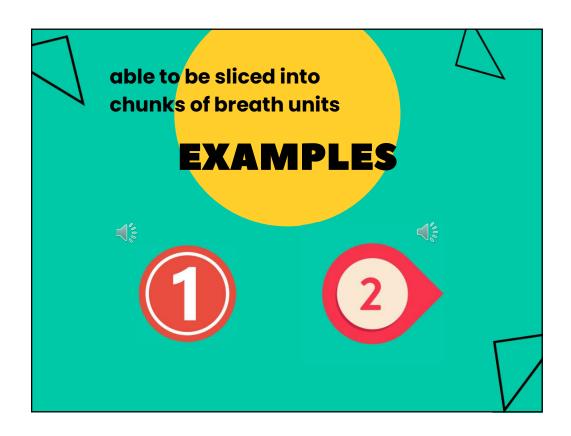


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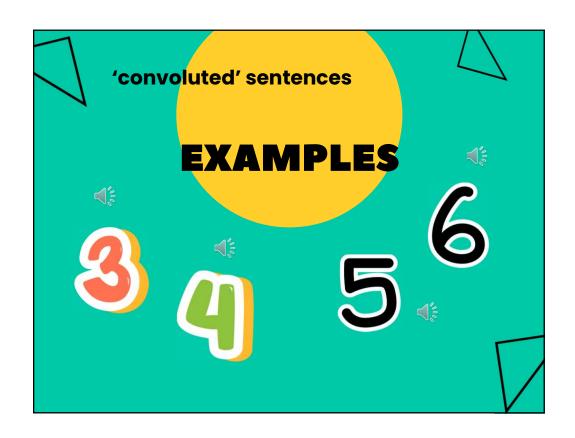
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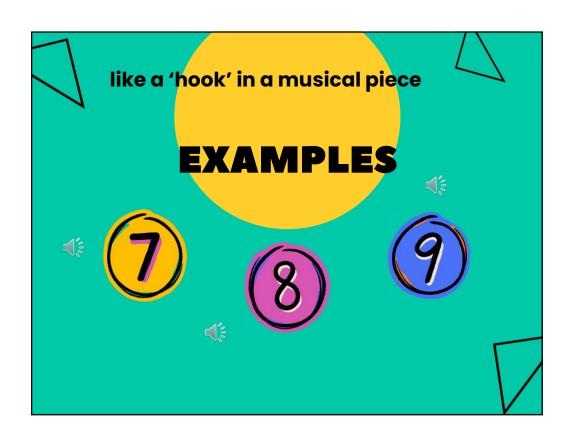


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but it had no bottom and it had no top,
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- Allegretto moderately fast (98–109 BPM)
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