

Lesson 3

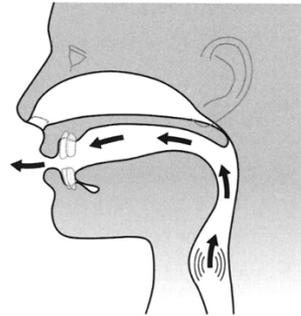
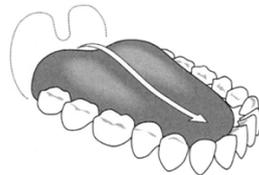
Short vowels: Part 2

- The [ɒ] sound as in “hot”
- Comparison [ɒ] - [ɔ:] and [ɒ] - [ʌ]
- The [e] sound as in “set”
- The [ʊ] sound as in “wood”
- Comparison [ʊ] and [u:]
- The [æ] sound as in “flat”

1. The [ɒ] sound as in “hot”

Speech Organs position:

The lips are coming forward a little, but not tight; the jaw is reasonably relaxed and quite open, and the back of the tongue is slightly rising in the mouth. The sound is pronounced in the back of the mouth.



Spelling variations for the [ɒ] sound:

o, a, ou

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Words:

- Highlighted **bold** letters pronounced as [ɒ]:

fond, **l**ock, **st**op, **g**one, **o**dd, **l**ost, **s**orry, wr**o**ng, **o**ften, cl**o**ck, kn**o**ck, obvi**o**us, pr**o**mise, d**o**ctor, w**a**nt, w**a**s, w**a**nder, w**a**llet, w**a**llow, w**a**sh, w**a**tch, w**a**rrior, w**a**ffle, squ**a**t, qu**a**ntity, **c**ough

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Sentences:

1. A **l**ot of **o**dd d**o**uments in str**o**ng b**o**xes are **l**ocked in the **o**ffice.
2. Can I w**a**sh my c**o**tt**o**n s**o**cks in the **l**ong **p**ond?
3. The d**o**ctor pr**o**mitted to w**a**tch T**o**mm**y**'s **c**ough and after four days the **c**ough had **st**opped.
4. **S**orry, I've **f**orgotten my w**a**llet in the sh**o**p.
5. The c**o**nversation in the **o**ffice w**a**s m**o**derated when the b**o**ss, Mr **O**xford, came in.
6. **R**oger and **R**obin **o**ften spend their h**o**lidays in S**o**tland in **O**ctober.

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2. Comparison [ɔ:] - [ɒ] and [ɔ:] - [ʌ]

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Listen and repeat. Look at a mirror to help you position your lips, tongue and jaw for the target sound.

Long vowel [ɔ:]	Short vowel [ɒ]	Long vowel [ɔ:]	Short vowel [ɒ]
daughter	doll	portion	polish
lawn	lofty	gorgeous	gone
law	lobster	stalk	stock
morning	mock	naughty	notch
glorious	glossy	quarter	quality
bore	boss	ought	office
door	dog	walk	what

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Word comparisons: [ʌ], [ɒ] and [ɔ:] sounds

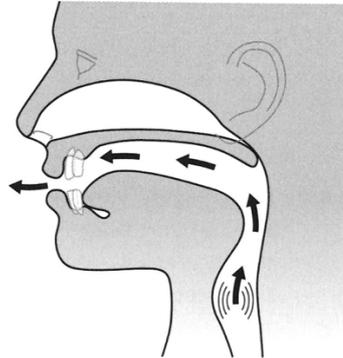
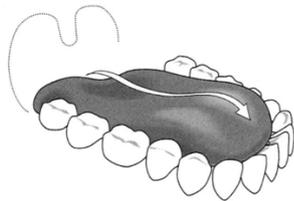
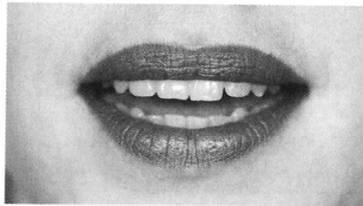
Long vowel [ʌ]	Short vowel [ɒ]	Long vowel [ɔ:]
buddy	body	talk
tough	Checkov	daughter
front	comment	orchestra
rough	economist	glorious
couple	politician	ordinary

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3. The [e] sound as in “set”

Speech Organs position:

The jaw is approximately half open, tip of the tongue is behind the bottom teeth, the front of the tongue coming to about approximately three fourths (3/4) of the way up. The sound is pronounced in the front of the mouth.



Spelling variations for the [e] sound:

a, e, eo, ea, ei, ay

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Words:

- Highlighted **bold** letters pronounced as [e]:

man**y**, **a**ny, **s**ensible, wr**e**n, **b**eg, **b**ent, **g**entle, **g**enerosity, **l**eo**p**ard, **j**eo**p**ardy, **h**ea**d**, **w**ea**l**th, **m**ea**s**ure, **p**lea**s**ure, thr**ea**d, **l**ea**t**her, **l**ei**s**ure, **L**ei**c**ester, **f**ri**e**nd, **s**ay**s**

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Sentences:

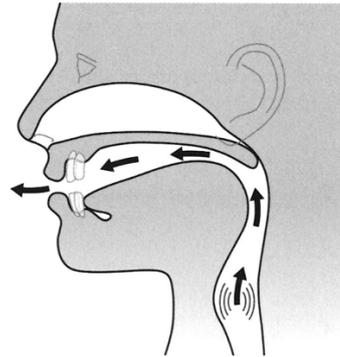
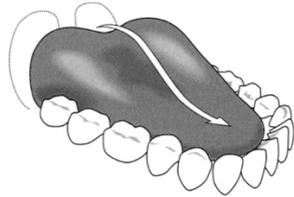
1. "It's **b**est for your **p**et's **h**ealth to **r**est", **s**aid an **e**ducated **v**et to a **w**ea**l**thy **g**entleman.
2. **E**ducated **m**en have always **m**ea**s**ured **e**very word they **s**aid.
3. Tw**e**nty-**s**even she**p**herds **h**esi**t**ated before **e**ntering the sheep-**p**en.
4. It's a real **p**lea**s**ure to **r**est on a nice **l**ea**t**her sofa.
5. A **r**ed **l**ea**t**her jacket was **w**ell **p**re**s**ented on the display.
6. The **w**ea**t**her was **w**et and windy **w**hen the **m**en were **m**en**d**ing the **f**ence.

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4. The [ʊ] sound as in “wood”

Speech organs position:

Lips rounded and forward a little, not as far forward as in long vowel [u:] (the second long vowel) but very close. The jaw is almost closed, but not quite. The back of the tongue is fairly high in the back of the mouth.



Spelling variations for the [ʊ] sound:

u, o, oo, oul

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Words:

- Highlighted **bold** letters pronounced as [ʊ]:

put, push, full, butcher, spoonful, fulfil, cushion, **book**, **look**, **good**, **wool**, **wood**, **wolf**, **foot**, **stood**, **could**, **would**, **should**

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Sentences:

1. **Could** you **put** this **good** **Worcester** **wool** in the **wooden** chest?
2. The **butcher** saw a **wolf** **looking** in every **nook** for the fallen **rook**.
3. Our **cook** **couldn't** **cook** without **looking** at his **cookery** **book**.
4. If I **could** just get off the **hook** and get rid of my responsibility to **cook**.
5. You **could** easily lose your **foothold** in the **bulrushes** by the **brook** on the way to the "**Bull** and **Bush**" pub.
6. If you are preparing a **pudding**, you must have **sugar** and a **good** **cookery** **book**.

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5. Comparison [ʊ] and [u:]

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Listen and repeat. Look at a mirror to help you position your lips, tongue and jaw for the target sound.

Short vowel [ʊ]	Long vowel [u:]	Short vowel [ʊ]	Long vowel [u:]
could	clue	good	glued
foot	food	wood	wound
full	fruit	book	boom
look	loose	took	true
put	pool	rook	rouge
should	shoes	soot	soon

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Sentences: short [ʊ] highlighted as bold and long [u:] highlighted as bold and underlined

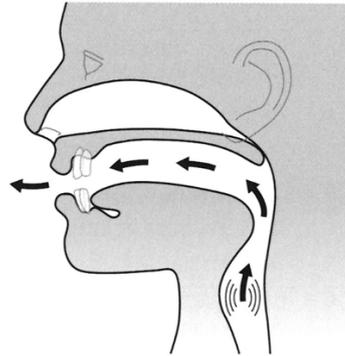
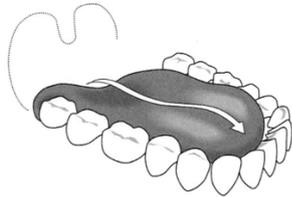
1. The **wou**nnded **woll** **could**n't **mou**ve his **foo**t and **soo**n fell asleep under the **bu**sh.
2. **Woo**rcester **woo**l **wou**ld **suu**t **beau**tifully for my **new** **blue** **suu**t.
3. Natural **foo**ds **conu**tribute to a **goo**d diet.
4. Behaving **loo**sely **could** be seen as **foo**lish and **wou**ldn't **impro**ve your **loo**k.
5. **Goo**d **boo**ks **uu**sually **fulu**fil people's lives.

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6. The [æ] sound as in “flat”

Speech organs position:

Open jaw, open loose lips, almost flat tongue at the bottom of the mouth, think forward



Spelling variations for the [æ] sound:

a

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Words:

- Highlighted **bold** letters pronounced as [æ]:

Japanese, **b**arrage, **n**ationalities, **b**ad, **h**appened, **l**and, understand, **a**ctivity, **p**rank, mir**a**culous, **p**anther, **r**agged, **m**an, **a**ctually

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Sentences:

1. A **bl**ack **f**at **c**at was **s**ad when he couldn't **g**rab a slice of **h**am.
2. It **c**an be quite a **ch**allenge to **m**anage a **m**arriage.
3. A **m**an who looked un**h**appy **s**ang a **s**ad **b**ad **m**ad rom**a**ntic song.
4. As a **h**abit I **a**dd some tomato to my **h**amburger.
5. **S**tanding **h**and in **h**and, the **m**an asked **J**an for her **h**and in **m**arriage.
6. **C**an you **m**anage to **c**arry those **m**agazines **b**ack to the **r**ack?