

Consonants and vowel sounds practice

Exercise 1.

Pronunciation. Look at the words and sentences below and pronounce them with an appropriate pronunciation. Use the microphone to do the activity.

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| a. Buffalo | i. Amnesia |
| b. Although | j. Conceptual |
| c. Answer | k. Accumulate |
| d. Accepted | l. Prohibit |
| e. Appropriate | m. Cousin |
| f. Audio | n. Library |
| g. Bracelet | o. Pause |
| h. Church | p. Bisexual |
- q. The last leaves have been torn away by the autumn gales.
- r. This friend of mine was unable to stop collecting boxes.
- s. Choosing a tie is not every man's idea of pleasure.

Exercise 2.

Minimal pairs. Listen to the audio and choose the correct word.

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| 1. | a. Vote |
| | b. Boat |
| | c. Bought |
| 2. | a. Heart |
| | b. Hurt |
| | c. Hard |

3.

- a. Ship
- b. Cheap
- c. Sheep
- d. Chip

4.

- a. Bear
- b. Beer
- c. Bird
- d. Beard

Exercise 3.

Multiple choice. Without using any help (dictionary), select the correct vowel sound for the following words.

1. Double

- a. æ
- b. aɪ
- c. ʌ
- d. ɒ

2. Built

- a. iː
- b. ɪ
- c. uː
- d. ʊ

3. Abroad (2nd syllable)

a.

b.

c.

4. Adult (1st syllable)

a.

b.

c.

5. Balloon (2nd syllable)

a.

b.

c.

Exercise 4.

Phonetic transcription. Fill in the gap with the word that represents the phonetic transcription.

a. /ɪk'spəʊz/: _____

b. /blaʊz/: _____

c. /'dʒʌstɪfaɪ/: _____

d. /'kɔːfn/: _____

e. /zɜːm/: _____

f. /'frædʒaɪl/: _____

g. /pə'dʒæməz/: _____

h. /'jʊərəp/: _____

Exercise 5.

Matching. Join with arrow the words that correspond to the sound.

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Accent, contract, dragon, spectacular

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Baby, cheap, coffee, eat

ɑː

Approve, cartoon, conclusion, few

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Burger, first, learn, certain

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iː

Along, dog, clock, got, honor

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Abort, born, draw, euphoria

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Butter, couple, love, ultimate

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