

TEST ABOUT VOWELS

1. Which of the following is a short vowel sound?

- /ɔ:/
- /ʊ:/
- /ɒ/
- /aɪ/

2. Which word has a different sound from the others?

- head
- says
- extra
- tree

3. Which word contains a long vowel sound?

- put
- women
- catch
- room

4. Which word has a different sound from the others?

- worn
- word
- work
- world

5. Which word contains a diphthong?

- board

- know
- people
- group

6. Which word has a different sound from the others?

- tight
- weight
- fight
- height

7. Which word would probably be pronounced with more sounds in US English than in UK English?

- explore
- should
- experience
- mountain

8. Which word has a different sound from the others?

- bury
- rural
- Europe
- furious

9. Which vowel sounds can be produced by a single letter 'a'?

Choose **five** answers: only one is incorrect!

- /ɑ:/
- /æ/
- /ə/

- /u:/
- /b/
- /eɪ/

10. Which words contain a schwa /ə/ sound?

Choose **four** answers: one is incorrect.

- America
- visitor
- police
- information
- Monday

11. Which words contain the /eə/ diphthong? Choose as many answers as you think are right.

- pear
- there
- bear
- near
- here
- where

12. Which words are pronounced with the /aʊ/ diphthong? Choose as many answers as you think are right.

- town
- low
- how
- cow
- flown

- snow

13. Write **one** word in the space to complete the sentence.

- The sound is the most common vowel sound in English.

14. Write one **word** in the space to complete the sentence. Do not write your answer as a number.

- There are long vowel sounds in English, plus eight short vowels and eight diphthongs.

15. Write **one** word in the space to complete the sentence.

- A letter 'r' after a vowel is often pronounced in English.

16. Write **one** word in the space to complete the sentence.

- The schwa sound can never appear in a syllable.

17. Look at a phonetic transcription of a word: /stʃu'eɪʃən/

Write the word in the box below.

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18. Look at a phonetic transcription of a word: /ɒs'treɪlɪə/

Write the word in the box below.

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19. Look at a phonetic transcription of a word: /kwaɪt/

Write the word in the box below.

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20. Look at a phonetic transcription of a word: /neɪbəl/

Write the word in the box below.

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