

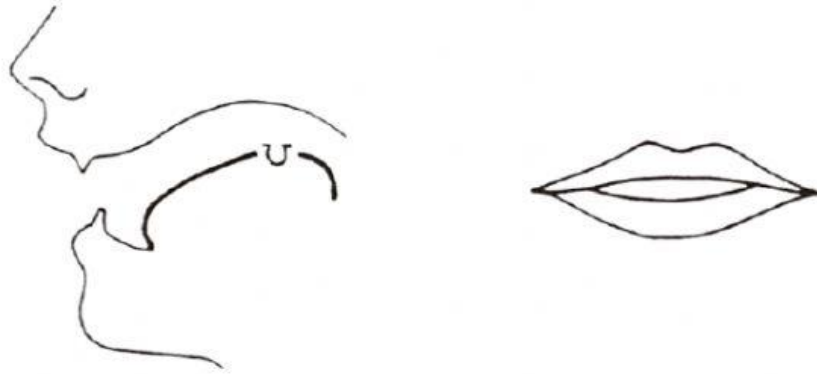
PRONUNCIATION

/ʊ/ and /u:/

LEVEL: B1

/ʊ/

Pronunciation: This is a short sound. To make this sound, put your tongue up in the middle of your mouth. Open your lips a little and make them a little round. Keep the sound short.



Watch this video:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningenglish/english/features/pronunciation/shortvowel2>

1. Listen and say the sound /ʊ/.

2. Usual spellings. Listen and repeat.

u: full, put, pull, sugar

oo: book, foot, good, took

ou: could, should, would

o: woman, wolf

3. Listen and say these sentences.

1. I'm full of sugar.

2. Could you pull my foot?

3. The woman is full.

4. The good wolf took the book.

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/ uː /

Pronunciation: this is a long sound. To make this sound, put your tongue back a little and up. Make your lips very round and hard. Make the sound long.



Watch this video:

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1. Listen and say the sound /uː/.

2. Usual spellings. Listen and repeat.

oo, o: moon, pool, room, too; move, tomb

ou, oe: group, soup; shoe

u: rude, rule

ue, ui: blue, true; fruit, juice

wo: two

3. When the spelling is “u” or “ew”, there’s often a /j/ sound before the /uː/. Listen and repeat.

u: music /'mjuːzɪk/

ew: new /njuː/

4. Listen and say these phrases.

1. A rude group.

2. Blue new shoes.

3. A soup and a fruit juice.

4. A room with views to the pool and moon.

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