

English Pronunciation and IPA: Voicing and

Place

Minimal Pairs!

/b/

bad



cab



cub



back



ban



/p/

pad



cap



cup



pack



pan



Listen and Repeat!

Procedure

Give a demonstration. Focus the students on the first pair of words in Box 25. Face the class and silently say either **sat** or **fat**. Ask students if you said word **a** or **b**. Repeat until they clearly understand the activity and then ask them to work in pairs to complete the activity.

Box 25 Student handout

a	b	a	b	a	b
1 sat	fat	6 few	view	11 bath	bars
2 fat	that	7 some	thumb	12 death	deaf
3 sing	thing	8 sort	thought	13 path	pass
4 say	they	9 few	zoo	14 that	sat
5 sink	think	10 fan	van	15 there	fair

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Watch this video Please!

A. Write the word you listen, next to each number. One point each.



1. _____



2. _____



3. _____



4. _____



5. _____



6. _____



7. _____



8. _____



9. _____



10. _____

B. Write the word you listen, next to each number. One point each.



1.



2.



3.



4.



5.



6.



7.



8.



9.



10.

C. Select the word according to their Transcriptions. One point each correct answer.

1. /sæt/

8. /θɪŋ/

2. /sæd/

9. /seɪ/

3. /fæt/

10. /ðeɪ/

4. /ðæt/

5. /fæn/

6. /væn/

7. /sɪŋ/