English Pronunciation and IPA: Voicing and Place

Minimal Pairs!

/b/		/p/	
bad		pad	
cab		cap	
cub		cup	
back		pack	
ban		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. _____

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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/
2. /sæd/
3. /fæt/
4. /ðæt/
5. /fæn/
6. /væn/
7. /sɪŋ/
8. /θɪŋ/
9. /seɪ/
10. /ðeɪ/

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