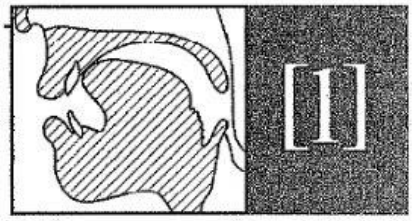
Consonant sound /l/ as in "lamp"



Tongue tip: Pressed against gum ridge behind upper front teeth
Airstream: Continuous and passes over both sides of the tongue
Vocal cords: Vibrating

[l] At the Beginning of Words		
let	leg	long
late	last	leave
light	little	
learn	live	

[l] In the Middle of Words		
only	alone	asleep
hello	salad	yellow
family	believe	
balloon	alive	

[l] At the End of Words		
all	call	able
fill	fool	table
apple	trouble	
people	tell	

hint

When an unstressed syllable begins with [t] or [d] and ends in [l], the [l] frequently becomes its own syllable. It is formed by keeping your tongue tip on your upper gum ridge without moving it from the position of the preceding [t] or [d].

paddle little bottle saddle noodle



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Vocabulary



LISTEN and REPEAT

1 Listen and repeat these words with the sound /l/.

listen	a lot	college	eleven o'clock
look	late	relax	alarm clock
hello	early	usually	English class

2 The sound /l/ has a different, heavier sound at the end of a word or before a consonant. Listen and repeat.

call	help	trouble	almost always
well	cold	simple	fall asleep
cool	people	difficult	a glass of milk

Common Expressions

Listen and repeat these common expressions with the sound /l/.

Look out!	I'm leaving in a little while.
I'll call you later.	I fell asleep.
I don't feel well.	Lots of luck!

Instructions: **Practice pronunciation of the [l] sound with the top 30 most common words.**

1.	all	11.	only	21.	live
2.	like	12.	little	22.	girl
3.	well	13.	please	23.	last
4.	look	14.	help	24.	told
5.	will	15.	life	25.	always
6.	let	16.	feel	26.	place
7.	tell	17.	kill	27.	old
8.	really	18.	still	28.	play
9.	love	19.	leave	29.	lot
10.	call	20.	long	30.	believe

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1. **telephone call**
2. **Leave** me **alone.**
3. **lots** of **luck**
4. **Light** the **candle.**
5. **Please believe** me.
6. **Learn** your **lesson well.**
7. **Will** you **mail** the **letter?**
8. The **little girl fell asleep.**
9. **Lucy lost** her **locket.**
10. He who **laughs last, laughs** best.



Pair Work

July 11th

Linda,

Leon and I had bad luck.—Luggage was lost while traveling from La Paz, Bolivia, to Honululu.—Airline personnel were all very helpful.—They told Leon they will certainly locate all, eventually, if we're lucky.—It looks like the luggage landed in Lima.—At least we met lots of lovely people.—Also, we could leave on a later flight.—I'll telephone with new flight schedule.—We should be home for lunch with the family at twelve o'clock.—Hopefully, our arrival won't be delayed.—Talk to you later.—Love you a whole lot,—Lou.

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Pair Work

DIALOGUE # 1

Read the dialogue aloud with a partner. Be sure the tip of your tongue touches your gum ridge as you pronounce the [l] sound in the boldfaced words.



Lillian: **Allan**, I just had a **telephone call** from Aunt **Lola**. **Uncle Bill** died.
Allan: **Uncle Bill** the **millionaire**?
Lillian: Yes. He **lived alone** in **Los Angeles**.
Allan: Did he **leave** us any money?
Lillian: **Well**, the **lawyer** is reading the **will** at **11:00**. I **really** don't **believe** he **left** his **family** anything!
Allan: **Uncle Bill** had to **leave** something to a **relative**.
Lillian: He **lived** with **lots** of **animals**. He didn't **like people**.
Allan: **Hold it! I'll** answer the **telephone**. (*Allan hangs up the phone.*) **Well, Lillian**, you're out of **luck! Uncle Bill left all** his "**loot**" to the **Animal Lovers' League**.
Lillian: Do you think **Lulu**, our **poodle**, is **eligible** for a **little**?

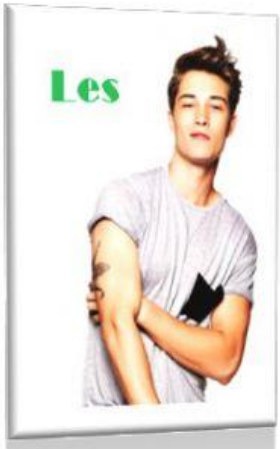


DIALOGUE # 2

Read the dialogue aloud with a partner. Be sure to place your tongue tip on your gum ridge as you pronounce the boldfaced [l] words.



Paulette: Hi, **Elena**. **Let's** meet at **11:00** for a **long** walk.
Elena: OK, **Paulette. I'll** meet you by the **lake** at **eleven**.
Paulette: **Please** don't be **late**. I'm **playing golf later** with **Les**. He **likes** me to be **punctual**.
Elena: I can't **believe** you **still love** him. He **always calls** you at the **last** minute.
Paulette: **Well**, that's his **style**. I'm **glad** he **called**.
Elena: **Surely** there are **plenty** of **eligible bachelors** who **like** to **play golf**.
Paulette: You're **probably** right. But **Les** is good-**looking** and he **also** makes me **laugh**.
Elena: **Well**, he is an **excellent lawyer** and has a **lovely family**.
Paulette: You know, **Elena**, I **always** thought you'd make an **ideal sister-in-law!**



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Announcer Welcome to *Solve Your Sleep Problems* with Dr. Sleep. Dr. Sleep's real name is Luisa Lopez, and she'll be taking calls from listeners. Do *you* have trouble sleeping? Here's our first caller now.

Dr. Lopez Hello. Luisa Lopez here. Who's calling, please?

Lilly Hello. My name is Lilly, and, uh, I'm a college student.

Dr. Lopez Hello, Lilly. How well do *you* sleep?

Lilly Not well at all. I have a *lot* of trouble falling asleep at night and then in the morning, I need two alarm clocks to wake me! I have an English class at eight o'clock, and I'm always late.

Dr. Lopez When do you go to sleep, Lilly?

Lilly I usually go to bed around, um, eleven o'clock.

Dr. Lopez Maybe eleven o'clock is too early for you. We all have a biological clock that tells us when to sleep. Maybe *your* biological clock is telling you to go to bed later.

Lilly Well, if I go to bed later, it still takes me a long time to fall asleep. How can I fall asleep more quickly?

Dr. Lopez First of all, you should follow a regular schedule – always go to sleep and get up at the same time. Don't sleep late on the weekend.

Lilly All right, I'll try.

Dr. Lopez And do something relaxing before bed – no loud music or lively telephone calls.

Lilly I hardly ever listen to loud music, so that'll be simple.

Dr. Lopez Use your bed only for sleeping – not for watching television or reading.

Lilly Well, that'll be difficult, because I always watch television in bed.

Dr. Lopez And let's see, what else . . . Turn all the lights off. Keep your bedroom cool – but not cold. And last but not least, if you do have trouble falling asleep, don't look at the clock!

Lilly My Mom always tells me to drink a glass of milk. Does that really help?

Dr. Lopez Yes, it does. Milk has a chemical that helps people sleep. A glass of milk is an excellent idea.

Lilly All right. I'll try all that.

Dr. Lopez And one last thing: Maybe you should listen to your biological clock and look for a later English class!

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