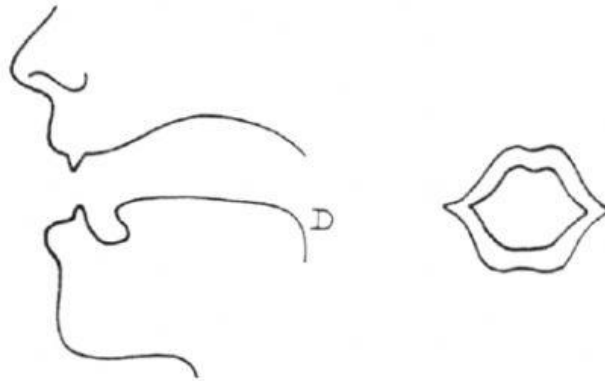


/ ʊ /

Pronunciation: This is a short sound. To make this sound, round your lips a little. Your tongue should be low at the front and back of your mouth.



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1. Listen and say the sound / ʊ /.

2. Usual spellings. Listen and repeat.

o: block, clock, copy, cost, doctor, dog, gone, song, wrong

a: quality, want, wash, watch, what

ou/au: cough / because

3. Listen and say these sentences.

1. Do you want to wash your top?

2. Tom's gone to the doctor's.

3. We've got a lot of bottles.

4. I watched a dog crossing.

4. Most American pronounce these words differently. Listen to the four sentences above.

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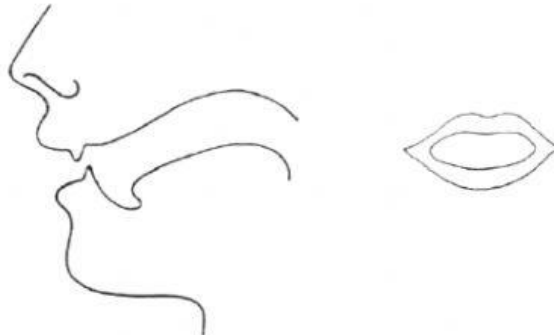
PRONUNCIATION

/ ɒ / and / ɔ: /

LEVEL: B1

/ ɔ: /

Pronunciation: this is a long sound. First, make the sound /ɒ/, put the back of your tongue up a little and move your lips forward.



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1. Listen and say the sound / ɔ: /.

2. Usual spellings. Listen and repeat.

a/ al: ball, call, fall, salt, tall / talk, walk

au/ aw: autumn, pause / dawn, saw

augh/ough: caught, daughter, taught / bought, nought, thought

ar/or: quarter, towards, warm / born, forty, porch

oor/ our: door, floor / court, four, pour

ore: before, more, tore

3. Listen and say these sentences.

1. My daughter was born in autumn.
2. Visit me more, I'm on the fourth floor.
3. Let's talk and walk towards the porch.
4. I caught the warm ball.

4. When after /ɔ:/ there's a letter "r", most Americans, Scots and Irish, and some other English speakers pronounce this "r". Listen and say the previous sentences.

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