

Lips: Rounded and in the same position as for the vowel [u]

Airstream: Continuous

Vocal cords: Vibrating



Listen and repeat.

[w] At the Beginning of Words

we	word	wool
was	work	would
want	wait	women

[w] In the Middle of Words

away	anyway	someone
awake	beware	quick
always	between	choir

The consonant sound [w] does not occur at the end of words in English.

Notes:

- Less frequent spelling patterns consist of the letter o and u: **One, anyone, queen, quiet**
- The letter w is **always silent at the end** of words: **how, sew, law, know.**
- Some English speakers use [hw] when pronouncing words spelled with WH, such as: when, where, white, wheel, awhile, somewhat. They use the aspiration of the [h]. **Both ways are acceptable, however, most Americans do not use the aspiration [h] in these words.**

Listen and repeat the following words:

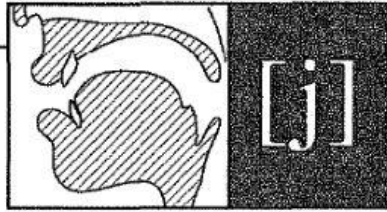
<u>[w]</u>	<u>[tw]</u>	<u>[w]</u>	<u>[kw]</u>	<u>[w]</u>	<u>[sw]</u>
1. win	twin	6. white	quite	11. wheat	sweet
2. wine	twine	7. wire	choir	12. wine	swine
3. wig	twig	8. wit	quit	13. wet	sweat
4. week/ weak	tweak	9. west	quest	14. well	swell
5. witch/ which	twitch	10. wick	quick	15. war	swore

Listen and repeat the statements with the words with the [w] sound.

1. What do you want ?	
2. You're welcome	
3. Where will you be?	
4. Walk quickly	
5. Where is it?	
6. Waste not, want not!	
7. Which one do you want ?	
8. What was the question ?	
9. The women are wearing white .	
10. Walt always works on Wednesday	

Listen and repeat. Circle the words that are pronounced with [w]

Week	Someone	Queen	write
While	Who	Wrong	worry
Whose	Waiter	Reward	Square
Guilt	Unwilling	Saw	Worthy
West	Lawyer	Anywhere	Low



Tongue tip: In the same position as for the vowel [i]

Airstream: Continuous without interruption

Vocal cords: Vibrating

Listen and repeat

[j] At the Beginning of Words

yes	use	young
you	year	youth
yell	yard	yesterday

[j] In the Middle of Words

onion	beyond	backyard
canyon	values	formula
lawyer	regular	unusual

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The most common spelling patterns for the sound [j] are:

- **Y** as in **yet, your, yawn, yolk, yellow.**
- The **i** as in **union, juniour, senior, million, familiar.**
- And the letter **u** as in **amuse, music, united, usual, university.**
- Notes: **when the letter y is at the beginning of words, it is ALWAYS pronounced as [j], NEVER as [dʒ]**
- One must be careful with the different sounds of **[u]** and **[ju]** as in the following examples:

[u]	[ju]
Food	feud
Booty	beauty
Fool	fuel



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Listen and repeat. Pay attention to the **[dʒ]** and the **[j]** sounds in bold words.

[dʒ]	[j]
1. Did they come by jet ?	Did they come by yet ?
2. It has no juice	It has no use
3. He became a major	He became a mayor
4. We went to jail	We went to Yale .
5. The jam is sweet.	The yam is sweet.

Listen and select SAME if both sentences in each pair are the same. If they are not the same, select DIFFERENT.

EXAMPLES	<i>You hear</i> He is young./He is young.	<i>You circle</i> <u>SAME</u> DIFFERENT
	<i>You hear</i> I heard yes./I heard Jess.	<i>You circle</i> SAME <u>DIFFERENT</u>

1.	SAME	DIFFERENT
2.	SAME	DIFFERENT
3.	SAME	DIFFERENT
4.	SAME	DIFFERENT
5.	SAME	DIFFERENT