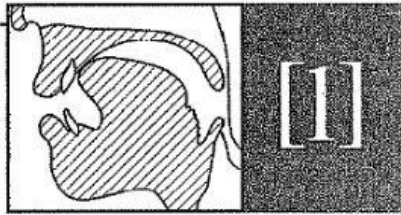




Consonant sound /l/ as in "lamp"



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



Vocabulary

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

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

2 The sound // 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	fa <u>ll</u> asleep
cool	people	difficult	a glass of mil <u>k</u>



Common Expressions

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

Look out!
I'll call you later.
I don't feel well.

I'm leaving in a little while.
I fell asleep.
Lots of luck!

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

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| 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 |

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 Honolulu.—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.

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**?

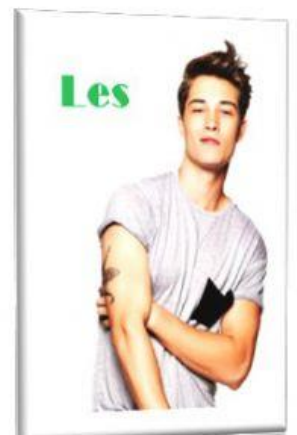


DIALOGUE # 2



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**!





Learn English



With Teacher Marlon

- 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!