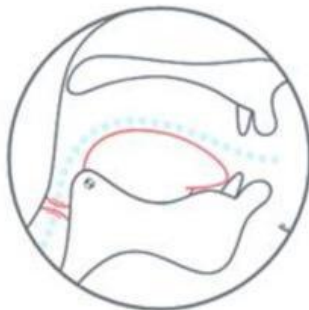


MODULE 3: DESARROLLO DE DESTREZAS DE LA PRONUNCIACIÓN EN INGLÉS



[a]



Lips: Completely apart in a “yawning” position
Jaw: Lower than for any other vowel
Tongue: Flat, on the floor of the mouth



[a] At the Beginning of Words

on	are	honest
odd	arch	option
arm	oxen	artist

[a] In the Middle of Words

top	shop	block
cot	wasp	March
lock	watch	rocket

The vowel [a] does not occur at the end of words in English.

[a] Spelled

<i>a</i>	<i>o</i>
want	fox
wallet	hot
dark	spot
father	opera
pardon	follow

QUICK TIPS

The letter **O** followed **by b, g, p, t** or **ck** is usually pronounced [a].

Robin rod log stop lot pocket

The letter **a** followed by **r** is usually pronounced [a].

PRACTICE

INSTRUCTIONS

PRACTICE THE PRONUNCIATION OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS.

CLICK HERE

[a]



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|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. not | 11. problem | 21. possible |
| 2. want | 12. doctor | 22. cop |
| 3. got | 13. probably | 23. hospital |
| 4. stop | 14. body | 24. honor |
| 5. god | 15. promise | 25. knock |
| 6. lot | 16. follow | 26. rock |
| 7. father | 17. shot | 27. lock |
| 8. job | 18. drop | 28. calm |
| 9. watch | 19. hot | 29. box |
| 10. mom | 20. top | 30. shop |

INSTRUCTIONS

PRACTICE THE PRONUNCIATION OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS.

[a]



[a]

cop
hot
pot
odd
mop
top
log
lock
cot
solid

[æ]

cap
hat
pat
add
map
tap
lag
lack
cat
salad

Sound 1: /æ/



hat



cat



cap



sack



ran

Sound 2: /ɑ/

hot



cot



cop



sock



Ron



Vocabulary

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

a doll

a watch

a novel

a teapot

a laptop

a box of chocolates

Pre-speaking activity

What do you think about
TV commercials?

Do you like TV
commercials?

Do you remember a funny
TV commercial?

DIALOG: A TV COMMERCIAL

In this TV commercial, John is shopping for holiday presents.

STEP 1 >

Write a list of items you hear in the dialog.

STEP 2 >

Listen again and practice the dialog with a classmate.

Voice A: What's the problem, John?

Jhon: It's this holiday shopping- I'm ready to drop!

Voice B: Just stop!

Voice A: Don't shop till you drop.

Voice B: Park your car in your garage, turn on the nonstop shopping channel, and start shopping the modern way!

Voice A: Whether you're looking for a watch for your father,

Voice B: A laptop for your mother,

Voice A: A guitar for your brother,

Voice B: or a box of chocolates for your sweetheart,

Voice A: We've got what you want! The best products at bargain prices!

Voice B: We'll show you what's hot and what's not.

Voice A: Do you have a lot of gifts to buy? It's not a hard job with the shopping channel.

Voice B: Or shop online at our popular Web site. Just log on to www.nonstopshopping.com.



JOHN

STEP 3 >



INSTRUCTIONS

[a]

Use vocabulary and list of words with the sound [a] and make your own TV commercial. Make sure you include as many words with the target sound as you can.

