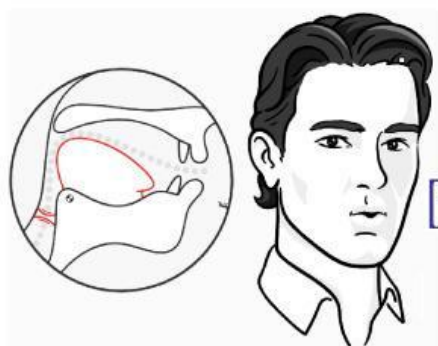


MODULE 3: DESARROLLO DE DESTREZAS DE LA PRONUNCIACIÓN EN INGLÉS



AS IN
"BLUE"



Lips: Tense and in a "whistling" position
Jaw: Almost completely raised
Tongue: High, near the roof of the mouth

[u] In the Middle of Words

food	suit	group
pool	truth	ruler
room	goose	school

[u] At the End of Words

do	shoe	threw
new	flew	through
you	chew	canoe

The vowel [u] does not occur at the beginning of words in English.
Exception: "ooze."

QUICK TIPS

[u] Spelled

<i>u</i>	<i>oo</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>ew</i>	<i>ue</i>
rule	cool	do	new	due
rude	fool	to	drew	blue
June	too	who	stew	clue
tune	noon	tomb	knew	glued
tuna	stool	lose	news	avenue



Less frequent patterns for [u] consist of the letters **ui, ou, oe, ieu** and **ough**.

fruit

group

shoe

lieutenant

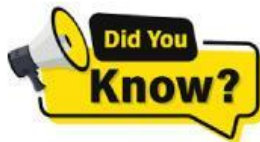
through

The letter **oo** followed by ***l, m, or n*** are usually pronounced [u].

School

boom

moon



When the letter **u** follows ***t, d, n, or s***, some Americans pronounce it [ju].

Tuesday

duty

new

suit

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[u]

PRACTICE



INSTRUCTION

PRACTICE THE PRONUNCIATION OF THE FOLLOWING WORDS.



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[u]



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|-------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. you | 11. room | 21. truth |
| 2. to | 12. actually | 22. stupid |
| 3. do | 13. knew | 23. food |
| 4. who | 14. school | 24. movie |
| 5. too | 15. soon | 25. rule |
| 6. two | 16. few | 26. fool |
| 7. use | 17. true | 27. dude |
| 8. new | 18. lose | 28. absolutely |
| 9. move | 19. shoot | 29. group |
| 10. through | 20. cool | 30. blue |

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LIVEWORKSHEETS



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INSTRUCTION

Practice the next text with a classmate.



NEW ORLEANS



One of the most **beautiful** cities in the **United States** is **New Orleans**. This city on the **bayou** is full of **unique** sights and sounds. **New Orleans** offers good **food** and **music**. Famous chefs create **soups** and **stews** **influenced** by the Creole and Cajun **communities**. Jazz and the **blues** started in **New Orleans** with **musicians** like **Louis Armstrong**. **Tourists** come to Mardi Gras dressed in **costumes** to look at the **truly super** homes on St. Charles **Avenue**. Whether **you** take a **cruise** down the Mississippi or **choose** fine dining spots, **you** should visit **New Orleans** in the **future**.



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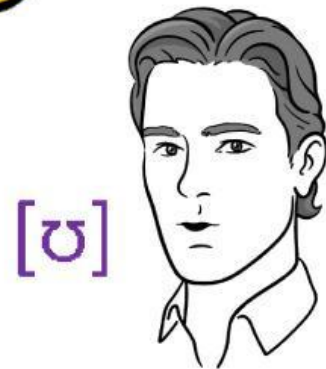
Step-by-step pronunciation instructions:

- **Mouth:** Open your mouth slightly.
- **Lips:** Round your lips slightly and keep them relaxed.
- **Tongue:** Relax your tongue, raise the back high up, and pull it towards your throat.

QUICK TIPS

[ʊ] In the Middle of Words

cook	shook	foot
full	push	brook
book	could	hood
good	put	sugar
stood	wood	woman
look	took	cushion



The vowel [ʊ] occurs only in the middle of words in English.

[ʊ] Spelled

<i>u</i>	<i>oo</i>	<i>ou</i>
pull	wool	could
put	wood	would
push	hook	should
bullet	good	
pudding	cookie	



✚ Less frequent pattern for [ʊ] is letter **O**.



woman

wolf



✚ The letter oo followed by **d or k** are usually pronounced [ʊ].

hood

good

wood

book

look

cook

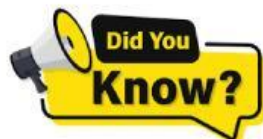


✚ The letter u followed by **sh** is usually pronounced [ʊ].

bush

push

cushion



Fun fact: the relaxed /ʊ/ sound is the least common vowel in American English.

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[ʊ]



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- | | | |
|-----------|------------|---------------|
| 1. look | 11. full | 21. bull |
| 2. good | 12. push | 22. cookie |
| 3. would | 13. cook | 23. fulfill |
| 4. could | 14. foot | 24. fully |
| 5. should | 15. wood | 25. childhood |
| 6. put | 16. bullet | 26. bush |
| 7. woman | 17. hook | 27. footstep |
| 8. took | 18. sugar | 28. bully |
| 9. book | 19. wolf | 29. hood |
| 10. pull | 20. stood | 30. crook |



Little Red Riding Hood

One of our favorite **childhood books** is *Little Red Riding Hood*. Little Red Riding **Hood** walked through the **woods** to bring a basket of **cooked goods** and **sugar cookies** to her grandmother. Meanwhile, a **wolf** came from behind the **bushes** into Grandmother's house. He **put** the poor **woman** in the closet. He **put** her clothes on, hoping Red Riding **Hood** **would** think he was Grandma. When Red Riding **Hood** **stood** at the door, she **looked** at the **wolf**. (Now, we all know that the **wolf** **couldn't** "pull the **wool** over Red Riding **Hood's** eyes." Who **wouldn't** recognize a **wolf** in a **woman's** clothing?) A hunter was walking through the **woods**, and he heard Red Riding **Hood's** screams. He shot a **bullet** and killed the **wolf**. Moral of the story: A **wolf** by any other name.

INSTRUCTION

Practice the dialogue with a classmate. Pay careful attention to the [u] and [ʊ] words in boldfaced type.

LONG [u] VOWEL SOUND

/ SHORT [ʊ] VOWEL SOUND

[ʊ] [ʊ] [u] [u]
LOU: Good afternoon. Brooks Travel Group. Lou speaking.

[u] [u] [ʊ] [u] [ʊ]
Lucy: Hi, Lou. This is Lucy Fuller. I'm due for a trip and would like a
[u] [u] [u]
Few day away from my two children and my husband Drew!

[ʊ] [u] [u]
I'd like to book a cruise for June.

[u] [ʊ] [u] [u] [u]
Lou: You should try the newest ship, the "Super Cruiser." It sails down the
[u] [u] [u] [u] [u]
Blue Danube. You fly to the ship from New York on Tuesday, June 1st.

[ʊ] [u] [u] [u]
I just took a cruise on it, too. It was truly super!

[u] [u] [u] [u] [u]
Lucy: It is true the rooms on cruises are usually small and gloomy?

[u] [ʊ] [u] [u]
Lou: No. The cabins are roomy and full of light. They all have beautiful views.

[u]
Lucy: How's the food?

[ʊ] [u] [u]
Lou: The cooks prepare unique menus. There's so much

[u]
Choose from.



Lou



Lucy

[u] [u] [u] [u]

That's why I usually lose a few pounds before the cruise.

[u][u] [u]

Lucy: Besides eating, what do you do on a cruise?

[u] [ʊ] [u] [u] [ʊ]

Lou: You will have a full routine. There is a huge pool, and the crew will take good care

[u] [ʊ] [u] [ʊ] [ʊ]

of you. You could relax on deck with a cool drink, read a good book, watch a

[u] [u]

movie, or even take a snooze.

[u] [u]

Lucy: I don't want to be rude, but how much is the cruise?

[ʊ] [u] [u]

Lou: Here's the good news. For June, the fares are

[u] [u] [u]

reduced. Two can cruise for the price of one.



[u] [ʊ] [u][ʊ] [u]

Lucy: Are you pulling my leg? This is too good to be true. Well I'm

[u] [u] [ʊ] [ʊ] [ʊ] [ʊ]

no full. Who says a woman should leave her good-looking husband alone? Put

[u] [u] [u] [u] [u] [u] [u]

us down for two. Drew and I will cruise the beautiful Blue Danube in June!





LISTENING SECTION

INSTRUCTION

Listen to each sentence and choose the word you hear.

1. The sign on the door says **pool** **pull** .
2. **Luke** **look** I want you to come here.
3. Where did that black **suit** **soot** come from?
4. I think he's **a fool** **full** .
5. I **stewed** **stood** the vegetable in the pot.
6. She stepped on my **food** **foot**.



INSTRUCTION

Make a conversation in which you apply the sounds **[u]** and **[ʊ]** .

Moreover, apply the sound **[a]** in such conversation. *Use the chart of the 30 MOST COMMON WORDS* of each sound and include as many words as you can.