

VOWEL SOUNDS

/æ/ apple, jacket, black, travel, hand

/ɑ:/ garden, car, guitar, smart, are, laugh, palm

/ʌ/ ugly, understand, just, love, honey, worry, cousin, country

/æ/	/ɑ:/	/ʌ/
match	March / march	much
cam	calm	come
hat	Heart	hut
cap	carp	cup
ban	barn	bun
cat	cart	cut
bat	Bart	but
pack	park	Puck

/e/ spend, help, friend, jealous, head, any, many

/ɜ:/ Thursday, nurse, church, girl, shirt, dirty, world, word, work

/e/	/ɜ:/
ten	turn
Ben	burn
bed	bird
head	heard
west	worst
bled	blurred
Ness	nurse
ferry	furry

/ɪ/ ill, film, sixty, minute, busy, lettuce, begin, packet, chicken.

/i:/ see, cheese, meat, easy, tea, Peter, evening.

/i/ a weak vowel: chilly, thirty, busy.

/ɪ/	/i:/
Ship	sheep
bin	bean, been
it	eat
sit	seat
lick	leak, leek
chicks	cheeks

/ɒ/ off, bottle, sorry, wash, was, want, what

/ɔ:/ score, York, all, ball, always, walk, Paul, audience, author, caught, bought, awful, law

/ɒ/	/ɔ:/
Don	dawn
cod	cord
cot	caught, court
pot	port
fox	forks
spot	sport

/ʊ/ put, bull, look, book, could, should, would

/u:/ afternoon, pool, June, rude, soup, chew, threw, flew, unit, stupid

/u/ a weak vowel and a very unusual sound: education, usually, situation

/ʊ/	/u:/
look	Luke
pull	pool
full	fool

/ə/ (schwa) a weak vowel: camera, computer, assertive, ahead, opinion, practical, temper, writer, doctor, forgetful, injection, education, obvious, nervous.