

# English Pronunciation

## The B and V sounds in English

Pair work speaking activity

Discuss with your teacher:

- ❖ Listen to the B and P sounds -- is one voiced?
- ❖ Listen to the V and F sounds -- is one voiced?

### Listen and Repeat

- |          |        |         |      |
|----------|--------|---------|------|
| • bee    | V      | • bow   | vow  |
| • ban    | van    | • berry | very |
| • vest   | best   | • veer  | beer |
| • bat    | vat    | • boat  | vote |
| • biking | Viking | • vase  | base |

### Listening Exercise

(See the teacher's list on page 4.)

Listen to the groups of words your teacher reads.

Two of the words are the same, and one is different.

**Which word is different -- the first word, second word, or third word?**

For example:

You hear: "vase base base" You write: 1 (because the first word sounds different)

### answers

- |          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 6. _____  |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____  |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____  |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

## Pair Work

Below are two word lists: List A and List B. They are different. Work with a partner. Decide who will read List A and who will read List B.

Read your list to your partner.

He or she will **write which word is different (either 1, 2, or 3) in the answer column provided.**

For example:

You hear: "vase base base" You write: 1 (because the 1st word sounds different)

### List A (Read this list to your partner.)

1. V	B	V
2. van	ban	ban
3. best	vest	vest
4. bat	vat	bat
5. Viking	biking	Viking
6. vow	bow	vow
7. berry	berry	very
8. veer	veer	beer
9. boat	vote	vote
10. base	vase	base

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### List B answers (Listen to your partner read List B and write your answers here.)

1. _____		6. _____		
2. _____		7. _____		
3. _____		8. _____		
4. _____		9. _____		
5. _____		10. _____		

**List B** (Read this list to your partner.)

1. B	V	B
2. ban	van	van
3. best	vest	vest
4. vat	bat	bat
5. Viking	biking	Viking
6. bow	vow	bow
7. berry	berry	very
8. veer	beer	beer
9. voat	vote	boat
10. vase	base	base

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**List A answers** (Listen to your partner read List A and write your answers here.)

1. ____	6. ____
2. ____	7. ____
3. ____	8. ____
4. ____	9. ____
5. ____	10. ____

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## Teacher's List for the Listening Exercise on pg. 1

### Teacher's List

1. V	V	B
2. ban	ban	van
3. best	best	vest
4. vat	vat	bat
5. biking	Viking	Viking
6. vow	vow	bow
7. berry	very	very
8. beer	beer	veer
9. boat	vote	boat
10. vase	vase	base

### Answer Key

1.	3
2.	3
3.	3
4.	3
5.	1
6.	3
7.	1
8.	3
9.	2
10.	3

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