

English Pronunciation

Unvoiced TH sound in English

Pair work speaking activity

Discuss with your teacher:

- ❖ What does voiced mean? What does unvoiced mean?
- ❖ F and V -- Which sound is voiced and which is unvoiced?

Listen and Repeat

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|----------|-------|---------|--------|
| • think | sink | • both | boat |
| • face | faith | • three | free |
| • thanks | tanks | • dirty | thirty |
| • mass | math | • fin | thin |
| • youth | use | • Ruth | roof |

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: "three three tree" You write: 3 (because the third word sounds different)

answers

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|----------|-----------|
| 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: "three three tree" You write: 3 (because the 3rd word sounds different)

List A (Read this list to your partner.)

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|-----------|--------|-------|
| 1. think | sink | sink |
| 2. face | faith | face |
| 3. thanks | thanks | tanks |
| 4. mass | math | math |
| 5. use | use | youth |
| 6. both | both | boat |
| 7. free | three | three |
| 8. thirty | thirty | dirty |
| 9. thin | fin | thin |
| 10. Ruth | roof | Ruth |

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.)

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|-----------|--------|--------|
| 1. sink | think | sink |
| 2. face | face | faith |
| 3. tanks | thanks | thanks |
| 4. math | mass | mass |
| 5. youth | use | youth |
| 6. both | both | boat |
| 7. free | three | three |
| 8. thirty | thirty | thirty |
| 9. fin | thin | fin |
| 10. roof | Ruth | roof |

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

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

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

Teacher's List

1. sink	sink	think
2. face	faith	face
3. tanks	tanks	thanks
4. mass	math	math
5. use	youth	use
6. boat	both	both
7. free	three	three
8. thirty	thirty	dirty
9. fin	fin	thin
10. Ruth	roof	Ruth

Answer Key

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

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