

# Introduction to Phonetics.

# Sounds

- Vowels
- Consonants

# Vowels

- Short Vowels: [i], [e], [æ], [ʊ], [ɒ], [ə], [ʌ]
- Long Vowels: [i:], [u:], [ɔ:], [a:], [ɜ:<sup>r</sup>]
- Diphthongs: [ei], [ai], [ɔi], [au], [əʊ], [iə<sup>r</sup>], [eə<sup>r</sup>], [ʊə<sup>r</sup>].

[æ]

A black cat sat on a mat and  
ate a fat rat.

[a:]

It's hard to park such a big car  
in the dark.

[3:<sup>r</sup>]

The early bird catches the  
worm.

Learn thirteen words of lesson  
thirty.

# Consonants

- Sounds very similar to Russian ones: b, p, g, k, z, s, f, v.
- Sounds similar to Russian ones : d, t, l, n.
- Sounds different to Russian ones : r, j, tʃ, dʒ, ʃ, ʒ, h.
- Do not exist in Russian: w, θ , ð, ŋ

[p], [k]

I'll have a proper cup of coffee  
in a proper coffee-cup.



[r]

The three will probably drive  
across the Brooklyn Bridge.

We gathered red ripe  
raspberries along the river  
road.

[n]

Young singer don't sing this  
song. It's too sad, it's too long.

[θ] , [ð]

Theo thrust a thumb through two  
or three thick straw thatches.

The motive that prompted all  
these things was rather low I  
think.

[h]

Helen's husband hates hot tea.

He held her hand in his.