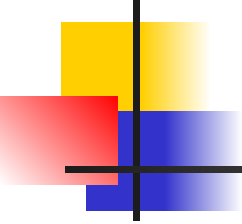


Vowel Length in English



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- clear-cut – четкий
 - redundant – избыточный, лишний
 - diachronic



Is vowel length relevant in present-day English?

- The degrees of vowel length:

1. long [sɔ: pɔ: kɔ: bɔ:]

2. half-long [pi:k] [pɔ:t]

3. short [pɒn] [pɒt]

[di:d – di:p]



The position of a vowel in a word:

1. an open syllable – the longest: [pɔ:]
2. before sonorant – shorter, but long enough:
[si:n] [di:n] [ri:l] [ɔ:l]
3. before voiced consonants:
[di:d] [si:d]
4. before voiceless consonants:
[si:t] [sɔt]



A. Meyer [□me□□]

- substantiated – доказанный, подтвержденный
- explicable – объяснимый

The traditional pairs of short and long counterparts

- i: - □ □: - □ □: - □ u: - □
 □: - □

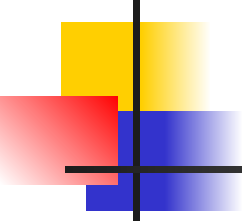
i: - □j arbitrary – произвольный

[□:] – [æ]

[□] – [□]

[□] – [□]

- u - □ □ - □ □: - □:

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- ample – достаточный, обильный
 - prolongation [ˈprɒlɒŋ|ˈgeɪʃn]
 - constituent [kɒnˈstɪtjuənt] – составная часть
 - contiguity [ˈkɒntɪgjuːti] – примыкание
 - checked – unchecked (free)
 - subject (adj.) [ˈsʌbdʌkt] – подверженный



Is only vowel quality relevant?

- pɪt – pi:t ɪp - i:p
- bi:d - bɪd si:d - sɪd

syllabication [sɪlæbɪkeɪn]



A new tendency:

[□læt□ - □læd□]

latter - ladder



Thank you!