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# ENGLISH PHONETICS

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Lesson 19 /əʊ/

**Listen to the words.**

**coat**

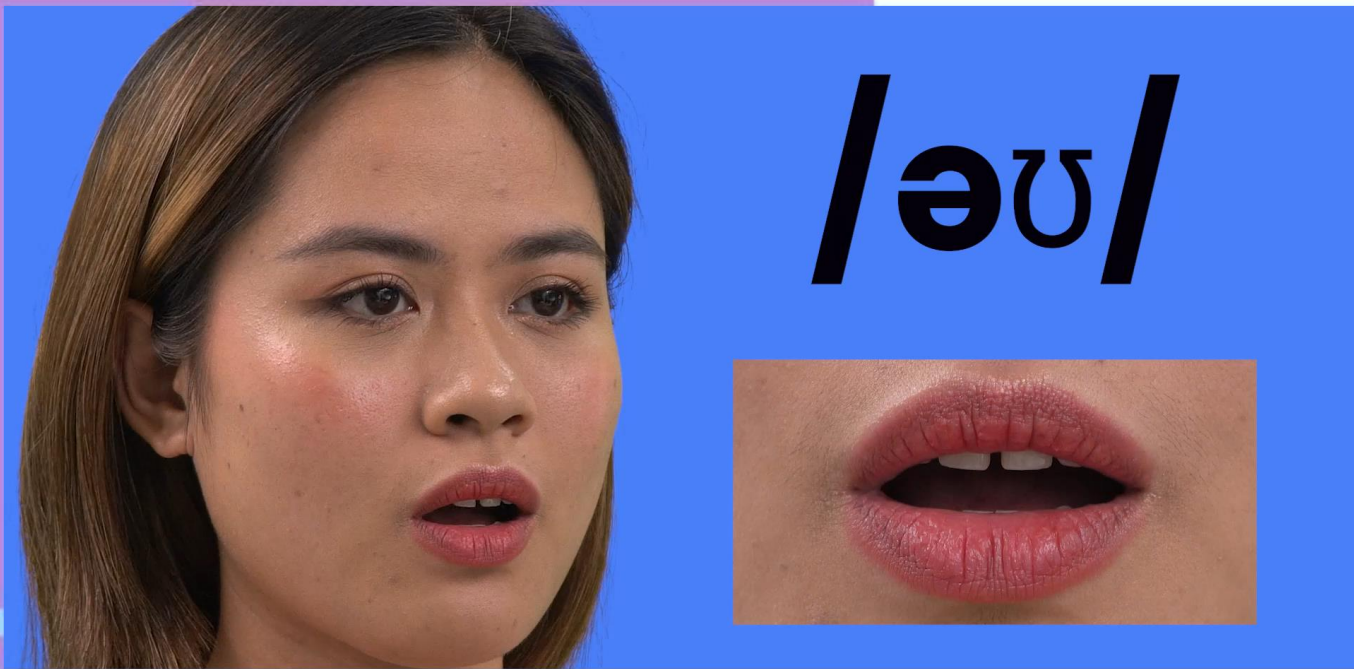
**low**

**rope**

Meet the  
phonetic  
symbol.

/əʊ/

Produce the sound.

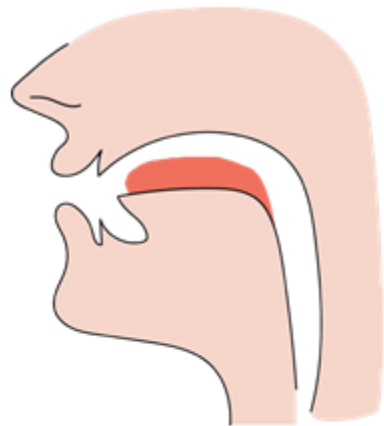


/əʊ/

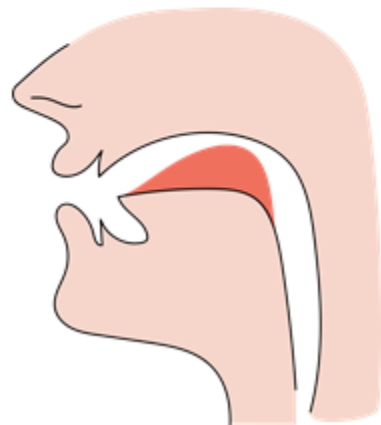
home, comb, low : [əʊ]

**Do the  
correct  
mouth  
position.**

Start with the /ə/ sound:



Then glide your mouth to make the /ʊ/ sound:



Listen to the teacher.

## British English!

The sound /əʊ/ is not common in American English. This is mainly used in British English.



## Words that have the /əʊ/ sound

old      soda      host

only      gold      post

o

## Words that have the /əʊ/ sound

boat

goat

soak

goal

road

float

oa



## Words that have the /əʊ/ sound

dome    joke    hope

home    cone    vote

o\_e

## Words that have the /əʊ/ sound

slow

row

know

flow

show

snow

ow

Listen, repeat, and then read.

/əʊ/

throw a rope  
go with the flow  
an old slow boat  
heroes' yellow coats



Listen, repeat, and then read.

/əʊ/

The team scored a goal.

Joe likes roasted tomato.

She owns a nice cozy home.

The boat slowly floated down.



Listen, then say **YES** if the word you hear has the /əʊ/ sound and **NO** if it doesn't.



Identify where the /əʊ/ sound is. Write **B** for beginning, **M** for middle, and **E** for end.

1. old

4. show

2. pole

5. sew

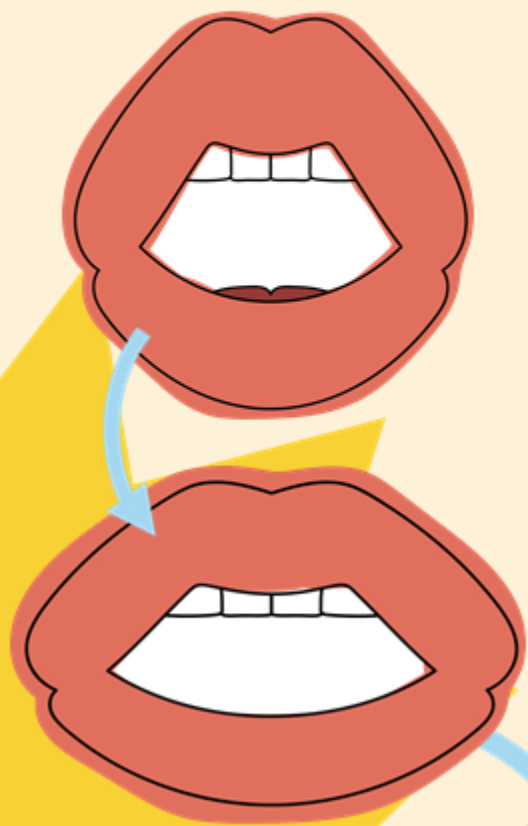
3. open

6. boat

Listen, read, and encircle the words with the /əʊ/ sound.

- 1 I know how to row a boat.
- 2 The road was wide and narrow.
- 3 I'm going to phone my mom.
- 4 The old oak tree provided shade.

Listen to the pronunciation trivia.



## The /oʊ/ Sound

Instead of /əʊ/, Americans say the /oʊ/ sound. The sound starts with rounded lips rather than relaxed lips. Try it!





# TONGUE TWISTER!

Glowing snowflakes  
show winter's glow.



**WELL DONE!**

**Sound: /əʊ/**

**Spelling: o, oa, o\_e, ow**