

Λ pronunciation

Southern British English (RP)

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i:	ɪ	ʊ	u:	ɪə	eɪ		
e	ə	ɜ:	ɔ:	ʊə	ɔɪ	əʊ	
æ	Λ	a:	ɒ	eə	aɪ	aʊ	
p	b	t	d	tʃ	dʒ	k	g
f	v	θ	ð	s	z	ʃ	ʒ
m	n	ŋ	h	l	r	w	j



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Λ words

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up, cup, run, sun, gun
one, won, done, fun
none, nun
does, doesn't
us, bus
hurry, curry
Russia
lunch, brunch, punch
some, come, thumb, rum
couple, cousin, country
trouble, double
nothing, government
must, just, trust
much, such, touch, Dutch
judge
cult, culture
mummy, funny
London, Dublin
money, honey, funny
monk, monkey
pub, public comfortable, wonder, husband
young, jump, jumper, just
Monday, Sunday, month
oven, onion, under, understand
ugly, bug, rug
enough, rough
love, glove, above, shove
cover, lover
blood, flood
colour, colourful, multicoloured
other, mother, brother, uncle, cousin

public money
one hundred
tough luck
not much luck

Try these sound pairs:

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e	æ	Λ
Meg	mag	mug
leg	lag	lug
beg	bag	bug
bed	bad	bud
bet	bat	but
said	sad	sud
net	nat	nut
rent	rant	runt
better	batter	butter
sect	sacked	sucked

ɒ	Λ	æ
opp.	up	app
cop	cup	cap
Don	done	Dan
Ron	run	ran
bog	bug	bag
potty	putty	Patty
clock	cluck	clack
bomb	bum	bam

ɪ	æ	Λ
big	bag	bug
him	ham	hum
in	an	un-
knit	gnat	nut
limp	lamp	lump
begin	began	begun
drink	drank	drunk
sing	sang	sung
sink	sank	sunk
spring	sprang	sprung
stink	stank	stunk
ring	rang	rung

ʊ	Λ	e
book	buck	beck
stood	stud	stead
took	tuck	tech
looks	lux	Lex
put	putt	pet

u:	Λ	æ
room	rum	ram
boot	but	bat
mood	mud	mad

ʌ pronunciation

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Now try these sentences:

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Hurry up!
This honey is lovely.
Multicultural London.
He doesn't have much luck.
Do you understand Russian?
That rug is very comfortable.
Her husband is not much fun.
Some cousins are coming on Sunday.
When Murry was young he sucked his thumb.
Nothing is better than a Sunday lunch at the "Ugly Bug" inn.
Let's go for a curry on Monday.
The couple must not give up.
The young mother found a glove on the bus.
I had just enough money for the bus.
His other brother doesn't understand my mother.
Look at all the mud on the floor!
Look at all the blood on the floor!
My cousin's pet monkey is just so ugly.

Check where the ʌ sounds were:

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