UNIT 11 / Ə/ a(gain)

Some words and syllables are pronounced more strongly than others: they are stressed. (In this unit, stressed syllables are marked in **bold** type.) In unstressed words and syllables, the sound /a/ is often used.

TASK 1 Say /a/ in unstressed syllables

1.1a Listen, and repeat. Make the stressed syllables strong, and the unstressed syllables weak and quick.

Try again. Come along.

Paul's a postman. Martha's a teacher.

raurs a postman. Martia s'a teacher.

Michael's a policeman. Barbara's a pilot.

A coloured picture.

In all the unstressed syllables above, the sound /ə/ is used. Notice that /ə/ can be spelled in many ways.

1.1b Look again at the phrases in 1.1a. Find words where /a/ is spelled a, e, o, u.

1.2 Listen to these phrases, and mark the stressed syllables. Then practise the phrases; be careful to use /a/ in the unstressed syllables.

Go away. Come again.

Susan's a singer. Jill's a photographer.

John and Michael are policemen. Brian's a bus conductor.

A big adventure.

TASK 2 Say /a/ in weak forms

Many common words have a weak form, with /a/, when unstressed :

2.1 'and' The following words often appear in a phrase with 'and'. For each word, say a phrase.

e.g. knife and fork

1. knife 2. black 3. ladies 4. fish 5. bacon 6. here 7. up

Now listen to the phrases on the cassette to check. Can you think of some more phrases with 'and'?

2.2 'to' Listen, and repeat.

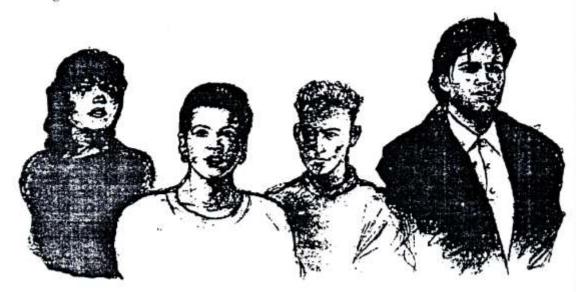
11. 50 'It's ten to twelve.'

3.45 'It's quarter to four.'

Now say the times shown below.



2.3a 'than' Compare the people shown below. How many true things can you say?
e.g. Catherine is taller than Susan.



Catherine, 22yrs 175 cm, 63 kilos Susan, 24 yrs, 160 cm, 70 kilos Alan, 20 yrs, 163 cm, 60 kilos Brian, 28 yrs, 183 cm, 90 kilos

2.3b Make similar sentences about people in your class, or in your family.

2.4a 'of' Listen, and repeat.

a bottle of wine

a cup of tea

a glass of wine

a bag of potatoes

a tin of beans

a packet of sweets

a box of chocolates a jug of water

2.4b Make similar phrases using these words.

beer sugar coffee matches tomatoes milk chocolate

2.5a 'can' Listen, and repeat.

I can swim quite well.

I can speak French and German.

I can swim but I can't play tennis.

2.5b In pairs, say which of these things you can do.

type speak Chinese / German / French, etc. play chess play tennis / football, etc. play the guitar / piano, etc. drive ride a bicycle ride a horse ski cook (think of other things too)

2.5c Tell other students about your partner.

e.g. Jean can speak French and German.

Maria can swim very well but she can't play tennis.

TASK 3 Say /a/ in weak forms and unstressed syllables

- 3.1 Listen, and notice the words with the sound /a/ marked in italics. Practise the conversation.
 - A: What shall we have for supper?
 - B: Would you like bacon and eggs?
 - A: No, not bacon and eggs tonight.

 What else have we got?
 - B: There are some potatoes, and lots of tomatoes. We could have baked potatoes, and a tomato salad.
 - A. I had a baked potato yesterday.
 - B: Well then, you can buy some fish and chips, from the shop at the end of the road.
 - A: OK. Shall we have a bottle of wine?
 - B: No, just a jug of water.

- A: Chúng minh sẽ ăn tối với gì ?
- B: Anh có thích thịt lợn muối và trừng không ?
- A : Thôi, tối nay dừng ăn thịt lợn muối và trưng. Chung minh còn có gì khác nữa?
- B: Cổ ít khoại tây, và nhiều cả chua, Chúng mình có thể dùng khoại tây nưởng và món xã lách cả chua đi.
- A: Hồm qua anh đã ăn khoai tây nưởng rồi.
- B: Vây thị, anh có thể mua một ít cá và khoại chiến dị, ở cửa hàng dấu dường kia.
- A: Được rỗi, Chúng minh sẽ mua một chai rượu vàng nhế ?
- B: Không được, chỉ cắn một binh nước thôi.

Pronunciation:

supper /'sapə(r)/ (n) bacon /'beikn/ (n) potato /pə'teitəs/ (n) tomato /tə'mu:təs/ (n) baked /beikt/ (adj) bottle /botl/ (n) jug /d5/g/ (n)

- 3.2 Listen, and notice the words with the sound /a/ marked in italics.
 - Mark other words which contain the sound /ə/.
 - A: My sister is coming to see me tomorrow. I'd like to take her to the theatre. I wonder what's on.
 - B: Look in the newspaper. In the section called Entertainments.
 - A: Oh, yes. Look, at the Players Theatre, There's a comedy, with Amanda Morgan, and Michael Allen.
 - B: I've heard of Amanda Morgan, but who's Michael Allen?
 - A: He was in that television series about a hospital. He played the doctor who came from Canada.
 - B: Oh yes, I remember. Tomorrow is a good night to go to the theatre. On Mondays, you can get two seats for the price of one.

- A: Chị tôi sẽ dễn thàm tôi ngày mai. Tôi muốn dựa chị ấy đến nhà hát. Tôi thắc mắc không biết dang cổ kịch gi?
- B: Hày xem báo di. Ở mục Giải trí đó.
- A : Ó, dúng rối. Xem dây, ở rạp Players. Có một vở hài kịch có Amanda Morgan va Michael Allen.
- B: Tối có nghe nói về Amanda Morgan nhưng Michael Allen là ai vậy !
- A: Anh chẳng trong loạt phim truyền hình về một bệnh viện đó. Anh chẳng đóng vai vi bắc sĩ từ Canada đến đó mà.
- B: Ó, dùng rối, tôi nhớ ra rối. Tối mai là tối hay để di xem kịch đó. Vào nhưng ngày thứ Hai, anh có thể mua hai vé mà giả bằng một vé thối.

- A: That's good. Usually, when I go to the theatre, I sit at the back. It's not as comfortable, but it's cheaper. But tomorrow we can afford better seats, at the front.
- A: Hay quá. Thường thường khi tối di xem hát. tối ngổi ở dàng sau. Như vày không thoái mái nhưng rễ tiến hơn. Nhưng ngày mai chúng tối dủ sức mua về tốt hơn, ở phía trước.

Pronunciation:

theatre /@iətə(r)/ (n)
wonder /wandə(r)/ (v)
section /sekfn/ (n)
entertainment /,enta:'teinmənt/ (n)
comedy /komədi/ (n)
Amanda Morgan /ə'maendə ,mə:gn/
(prop. n)

Michael Allen /maikl 'ælən/ (prop. n)
series /siəriz/ (n)
Canada /kænədə/ (prop. n)
comfortable /'kamfətəbl/ (adj)
afford /ə'fə:d/ (v)
back /bæk/ (n)
front /frant/ (n)

Now practise the conversation.

UNIT 12 /i:/ see /I/ if

TASK 1 Distinguish between /i:/ and /ı/
1.1 Listen, and practise the difference.

green /gri:n/ màu xanh lá bead /bi:d/ hat chuổi

reason /ri:zn/ lý do

meal /mi:l/ bửa ăn feet /fi:t/ dôi chân cheek /tʃi:k/ gò má deep /di:p/ sâu each /i:tʃ/ mối một grin /grin/ cười toe
bid /bid/ giá dặt tại cuộc
bán dấu giá
risen /rizn/ (qkpt của rise)
mọc
mill /mil/ nhà máy
fit /fit/ khỏe mạnh
chick /tʃik/ gà con
dip /dip/ nhúng vào
itch /itʃ/ ngửa

SPELLING

/i:/ see

Common :

ALL ee sleep

MOST ea read eat

e (long e) be these

Less common

i machine, police

ie field, piece

ei receive

ey key

NOTE

ei comes in the middle of words. At the end of words the spelling is ey

SPELLING RULE

i before e except ofter c Exception : people

/1/ if

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- 1.2 Listen to the words on the cassette. Write the words you hear.
- 1.3 Listen to the sentences on the cassette. For each one, write the word you hear.
 - 1. The beans / bins were quite cheap.
 - I'm going to leave / live with my brother.
 - 3. Did you feel / fill it?
 - 4. The peach / pitch was bad.
 - 5. He beat / bit the dog.
 - The children were badly beaten / bitten.
- Đậu / thùng dựng rác rất rẻ.
- 2. Tôi sấp xa / sống với anh tôi.
- 3. Anh có cảm thấy / làm đẩy cái đó không ?
- 4. Trái dào / sản bóng crickê rất dò.
- 5. Anh ấy đánh / cấn con chó.
- 6. Bon trẻ bị dánh / cấn tệ hại.

TASK 2 Say /i:/

2.1 Listen, and read out these notices.





- 2.2a Listen, and practise this conversation in a shop.
 - A: Have you got any cream cheese?
 - B: Yes, how much cheese do you need?
 - A: 250 grams please. I'm going to make a cheesecake.
 - 2.2b Make similar conversations with details from these recipes.

Coffee ice cream

Ingredients:
1/4 litre cream
1 teaspoon coffee

Peach pie

essence

Ingredients : 6 peaches 100 gm margarine

Bean salad

Ingredients : 3 lb green beans 1 sweet red pepper

Pea soup

Ingredients: 2 lb peas 1 small leek

TASK 3 Say /1/

- 3.1a Listen, and practise this conversation at a station.
 - A: Excuse me, when's the next train to Liverpool?
 - B Six fifty.
 - A: Which platform?
 - B : Platform six.
 - 3.1b Make similar conversations with details from this notice.

DESTINATION	TIME	PLATFORM
BRISTOL	6.15	16
HITCHIN	6.50	6
ILMINSTER	7.50	15
WINCHESTER	10.50	6

3.2a Listen, and practise this message for a doctor.

Hello, my name is Gillian Timpson. Please tell Dr Phillips that my daughter Nicola is ill. She's got little red spots, which itch terribly. And she's got a high temperature. If she drinks anything, she's sick. I think she needs a home visit. Our address is 56 Hill Road.

3.2b The receptionist who took the message told Dr Phillips some wrong things. Listen, and repeat each one.

Mrs Simpson called.

Her son Nicolas is ill.

She's got big red spots.

She won't drink anything. She needs to go to hospital.

They live at 66 Mill Road.

3.2c Correct the wrong messages. Make sure your voice falls to emphasise the correct information.

e.g. A: Mrs Simpson called.

B: No, Mrs Tympson called.

TASK 4 Say /i:/ and /i/

4.1 Listen, and practise this conversation between two doctors.

A: Have you been busy this evening?

B: Pretty busy. My first patient was Jim Beaton. He had twisted his knee. He slipped on a banana skin in the street. I think he just needs to rest his knee. He's very fit. A: Tối nay chị bận suốt à?

B: Khá bận. Bệnh nhân đầu tiên của tôi là Jim Beaton. Anh ta bị trật đầu gối. Anh ta trượt vỏ chuối trên dường. Tôi nghĩ anh ta chỉ cắn để đầu gối yên thôi. Anh ta rất khỏe.

- A My first patient was Mrs Neale. She keeps being sick, and it's just because she eats too much.
- B: A lot of patients don't really need treatment. They feel ill because they do silly things. We can give them pills to treat some illnesses, but they need to keep fit and eat sensibly.
- A: Bênh nhận đầu tiên của tội là Bà Neale, Bà ta cử bệnh hoài, mà cũng chỉ vị ba ta ăn nhiều quá.
- B: Nhiều bênh nhân thực sự không cần điều trị. Họ cầm thấy bệnh vi họ làm những điều ngốc nghệch. Chúng ta có thể cho họ thuộc để trị một số bệnh nào đó, nhưng họ cắn giữ cơ thể khỏe manh và ăn uống một cách cổ ý thức.

Pronunciation:

pretty /pritt/ (adv)
patient /peifnt/ (n)
Jim Beaton /dʒim 'bi:tn/ (prop. n)
twist /twist/ (v)
knee /kni:/ (n)
slip /slip/ (v)
banana skin /bə'no:nə skin/ (n)

Neale /ni:l/ (prop. n) treatment /tri:tmant/ (n) silly /sili/ (adj) pill /pil/ (n) illness /thns/ (n) sensibly /sensibl/ (adv)

4.2a Listen, and repeat these things, which come from: a hospital, a supermarket, a restaurant, a factory, a railway station.

The machine in the corner needs cleaning.

Could you put clean sheets on Mrs Reed's bed, please?

Get the six fifteen train from platform three.

We need some more tinned peaches, and baked beans.

I'd like coffee with cream, and then the bill, please.

4.2b Say which instruction came from which place.

UNIT 13 /æ/ hand /e/ egg

TASK 1 Distinguish between /æ/ and /e/

1.1 Listen, and practise the difference.

had /hæd/ (qk của have) có bag /bæg/ túi xách land /lænd/ dất can /kæn/ có thể pan /pæn/ cái soong

head /hed/ cái dấu beg /beg/ van xin lend /lend/ cho mươn Ken /ken/ (tên riêng) pen /pen/ cây viết mat /mæt/ chiếc chiếu pack /pæk/ gối, đồng gối marry /mært/ cưới pat /pæt/ vỗ nhẹ cattle /kætl/ gia súc

met /met/ (qk của meet) gặp peck /pek/ mổ gà, mổ merry /merr/ vui vẻ pet /pet/ thú nuôi trong nhà kettle /ketl/ cải ấm

1.2 Listen to the words on the cassette. Write the words you hear.

- 1.3 Listen to the sentences on the cassette. For each one, write the word you hear.
 - You have been using my pan / pen, haven't you?
 - 2. He lost his bat / bet.
 - 1 can see a band / bend ahead.
 - We heard the cattle / kettle from a long way away.
- Anh dang dùng cái soong / cây viết của tôi, phải không /
- Anh ta mát gây dánh bóng chày / cá cược.
- Tôi nhìn thấy dôi nhạc / chổ cong phía trước.
- Chúng tôi nghe tiếng gia súc / ấm nước tử đàng xa.

SPELLING

/æ/ hand

Common : a ('short a') : s

a ('short a'): sat, marry, hand, ran

Exception :

ai plait

lel egg Common

e ('short e') egg. editor
 bet, went

Less common:

ea dead, breath

Exceptions :

ie friend

- a any, ate, says, said
- u bury
- ei leisure

TASK 2 Say /ae/

- 2.1 Listen, and practise this telephone conversation. Notice the telephonist's polite, rising intonation.
 - A: Cavendish Manufacturing Company. Can I help you?
 - B. I'd like to speak to the Managing Director, please.
 - A: The Managing Director ? That's Anna Cavendish. I'll put you through.
- 2.2a Listen, and say the names on this noticeboard.

CAVENDISH MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Managing Director

Anna Cavendish

Marketing Manager

Barry Jackson

Development Manager

Andrew Maxwell

Architect

Pamela Andrews

2.2b Make telephone conversations like the one in 2.1, asking for different people each time.

TASK 3 Say /e/

3.1 Listen, and practise.

Only ten per cent of Kensington Express readers take regular exercise. In a recent survey, readers answered questions about diet and exercise. Ten per cent felt that they were healthy or very healthy. Seventy per cent said that exercise is important for good health. But only ten per cent took regular exercise - twice a week or more. Twenty per cent said that they felt they got enough exercise. The rest admitted that they should take more exercise.

Chỉ 10 % độc giả từ Kensington Express tập thể dục đều dặn. Trong cuộc thăm dò gắn dây, độc giả trả lời các câu hỏi về chế độ ăn uống và luyện tập. 10 % cảm thấy là họ khỏe mạnh hoặc rất khỏe. 70 % nói là tập thể dục rất quan trọng để có sức khỏe tốt. Nhưng chỉ có 10 % tập thể dục đều dặn - hai lắn hay hơn trong tuấn. 20 % nói là họ cảm thấy họ vận động dù rỗi. Số còn lại thừa nhận là họ nên tập thể dục nhiều hơn.

Pronunciation:

per cent /p3: 'sent/ (n) diet /daɪət/ (n) healthy /'helθɪ/ (adj) unhealthy /An'helθi/ (adj)
rest /rest/ (n)
admit /əd'mit/ (v)

3.2a Listen to people asking and answering questions. Notice the intonation. The voice rises in the questions, and falls in the answers.

Do you feel you are bealthy?

Yes, I do. I lead a very healthy life.

Do you think exercise is important for good health?

Ng, I don't. Too much exercise can be dangerous.

3.2b Ask and answer the questions on this questionnaire.

Do you :		a	get regular exercise ?	
		b	eat fresh fruit every day ?	
		c	eat plenty of vegetables ?	
		d	go to bed before ten ?	
		e	remember to brush your teeth at bedtime ?	
5	YESe	s - E	Excellent !	
4	YESes - Very good !			
3	YESes - Not bad, but could be better!			
2	or less - Oh dear ! Not very healthy !			

3.3 Discussion. What sort of exercise do people in the group take? What is regarded as healthy food in your community?

TASK 4 Say /æ/ and /e/

4a Listen, and practise this conversation about a car accident.

- A: I'm a reporter from the Hendon Standard. Were you present when the accident happened?
- B: Yes, I was standing at the end of Elm Avenue, by the park.
- A: What happened?
- B: There was a red van travelling west, and several cars and vans behind it.
- A: Was the red van going fast?
- B: No. The driver kept glancing at a map on his lap. Then a black taxi started to pass the red van.
- A: Was that the cause of the accident?
- B: It wasn't the taxi that caused the accident. It was the red van. The van driver suddenly turned, and crashed into the taxi.
- A: What happened then?
- B: The taxi smashed into a lamppost. The taxi driver wasn't badly hurt, but he was very angry.

- A: Tôi là phóng viên của báo Hendon Standard. Anh có mặt lúc tai nan xây ra không?
- B: Có, tôi dang đứng ở cuối Đại lộ Elm, cạnh công viên.
- A: Chuyện gì xảy ra?
- B: Có một chiếc xe tải đỏ đi về phía tây, và nhiều xe con và xe tải sau nó.
- A: Chiếc xe tải đỏ lúc đó đang chay nhanh phải không?
- B: Không. Người lái xe cử liếc vào bản đổ trên lòng anh ta. Rổi một chiếc taxi den bắt đầu vượt qua chiếc xe tải đỏ.
- A: Dó là nguyên do tai nan à?
- B: Không phải chiếc taxi gây tại nạn. Chính là chiếc xe tải dỏ. Người lái xe tải queo thình lình và tông vào chiếc taxi.
- A: Rối sao nữa ?
- B: Xe taxi dâm sắm vào cột dên. Người tài xế taxi không bị thương năng, nhưng ông ta giận lấm.

Pronunciation:

reporter /rt'po:ta(r)/ (n)
present /preznt/ (adj)
avenue /ævɪnju:/ (n)
glance /glɑ:ns/ (v)
lap /læp/ (n)

cause /kɔːz/ (n)
crash /kræʃ/ (n)
smash /smæʃ/ (v)
lamppost /ˈlæmpəost/ (n)

- 4b Look at the picture below, showing the scene of the accident described in 4a. Label the picture. Then say what happened.
 - e.g. It was in Elm Avenue, near the park. A red van

