

Answer key

Section 1a – Sound discrimination

Same: 1a, 5c, 8b, 9b, 12b, 15b, 17b, 18b, 19b, 24a

	Minimal pairs		Minimal pairs		Minimal pairs		Minimal pairs
1a	Eel	6a	Best / vest	12a	Cole / cone	17a	Laugh / life
1b	Ship / chip	6b	Few / view	12b	Cow	17b	Wheel
2a	Six / seeks	7a	Backs / box	13a	Big / bigger	18a	Beard / bead
2b	Fat / hat	7b	Wing / wink	13b	Closing / clothing	18b	Bin
2c	Feel / peel	7c	Thing / thin	14a	Girl / gull	19a	Air / ear
3a	Tin / ten	8a	Sport / spot	14b	Walk / work	19b	Some
3b	Back / bag	8b	Cap	14c	Bed / bird	20a	Buzz / bus
4a	Said / sad	9a	Put / pot	14d	Drain / train	21a	Push / puss
4b	Choke / joke	9b	Key	15a	Pen / pain	22a	All / oil
5a	Cart / cat	10a	Pool / pole	15b	Piece	22b	Road / load
5b	Much / march	10b	Grass / glass	16a	Boat / bought	23a	Mouse / mouth
5c	Tin	11a	Cup / cap	16b	Fern / phone	23b	Free / three
		11b	Heel / eel	16c	Jack / yack	24a	Pleasure

Section 1b – Sound discrimination

1. buy, 2. here, 3. air, 4. weigh, 5. toe

Section 2 – Intonation

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
↗	↗			↗	↗	↗			↗	
↘		↘	↘				↘	↘		↘
Purpose	Ask for new info	Confirm	WH-question - Ask for new info	Surprise / doubt	Yes/No Q - Ask for new info	Tag Q - Ask for new info	WH-Q question Ask for new info	Tag Q - Ask for agreement	Listing	Statement

Section 5 – Pronunciation

1a) nowhere birthday mistake toilet postcard => 'nəʊweə 'bɜ:θdeɪ mɪ'steɪk 'tɔɪlɪt 'pəʊstkɑ:d

1b) 'sʌmweə 'bɜ:θdeɪ ,ʌndə'teɪk 'pəʊstmən => Somewhere birthdate undertake postman

2a) guitar eighteen today machine English => gɪ'tɑ:r ,eɪ'ti:n tə'deɪ mə'ʃi:n 'ɪŋɡlɪʃ

3) away brother breakfast frightened valley => ə'weɪ 'brʌðə 'brekfəst 'fraɪnd 'væli

4) comfortable vegetables photograph lemonade minimal

'kʌmfətəbl 'vedʒtəblz 'fəʊtəgrɑ:f ,ləmə'neɪd 'mɪnɪml

5) telephoning supermarket conversation exercises helicopter

'telɪfəʊnɪŋ 'sju:pə'mɑ:kɪt ,kɒnvə'seɪʃən 'eksəsaɪz 'helɪkɒptə

- 6) ,ɑ:tɪ'fɪʃ(ə)l ɪ'nɪʃəl ə'fɪʃəl pə'tenʃəl => Artificial initial official potential
- 7) 'æktʃʊəl 'vɪʒʊəl 'vɜ:tʃʊəl 'grædʒʊəl => actual visual virtual gradual
- 8) spɪ'sɪfɪk tə'rɪfɪk hɒ'rɪfɪk => Specific terrific horrific
- 9) ə'bɪlɪti 'kwɒntɪti 'kwɒlɪti => ability quantity quality

Section 7 - Phonetic transcription

1) waɪ dəʊn tʃʊ bi'li: vɪn dʒə'self?

Why don't you believe in yourself?

2) Human ability may be limited. But the only way to test that limit is to never cease to expand it.

1st level:

'hju:mən ə'bɪlɪti meɪ bi: 'lɪmɪtɪd. bʌt ði 'əʊnli weɪ tu: tɛst ðæt 'lɪmɪt ɪz tu: 'nɛvə si:s tu: ɪks'pænd ɪt.

With weak form applied:

'hju:mən ə'bɪlɪti meɪ bi: 'lɪmɪtɪd. bət ði 'əʊnli weɪ tə tɛst ðæt 'lɪmɪt ɪz tə 'nɛvə si:s tʊ ɪks'pænd ɪt.

With liason applied:

'hju:mə nə'bɪlɪti meɪ bi: 'lɪmɪtɪd. bə ði^(j) 'əʊnli weɪ tə tɛs ðæt 'lɪmɪ tɪz tə 'nɛvə si:s tʊ^(w) ɪks'pæn dɪt.

With sound reduction applied:

'hju:mə nə'bɪlɪti meɪ bi: 'lɪmɪtɪd. bə ði^(j) 'əʊnli weɪ tə tɛs ðæt 'lɪmɪ tɪz tə 'nɛvə si:s tʊ^(w) ɪks'pæn dɪt.

With American accent applied:

'hju:mə nə'bɪlɪdɪ meɪ bi: 'lɪmɪdɪd. bə ði^(j) 'əʊnli weɪ tə tɛs ðæt 'lɪmɪ dɪz tə 'nɛvə si:s tʊ^(w) ɪks'pæn dɪt.

Section 8 – Sentence stress

1-b, 2-a, 3-d, 4-3, 5-c