How many hours?

How to make the sound /h/



B50a • Look at the diagram. Listen and say the sound. The air comes through a small gap at the back of the mouth. There is no voicing. Target sound: /hə/

Sound and spelling



B50b • /h/ is usually spelled h, but it is spelled wh in a few words. Listen and say these words.

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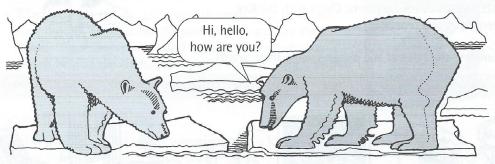


B50c • A few words begin with a silent letter h. Listen and say these words.

honest



B50d • Listen and say these sentences.



- 1 Hi, hello, how are you?
- 2 Whose hat is this?
- 3 It's hot in here.
- 4 We had a whole month's holiday.
- 5 Can you help me for half an hour?
- 6 Who's who?

Important for listening Sometimes you don't hear an /h/ sound at the beginning of he, him, her, hers, his, had, have, has. (See Units 37-40.) Listen.

- 1 Is he there?
- 2 Have you seen him?
- 3 Has he got time?
- 4 Do you know her?
- 5 He went to visit his family.

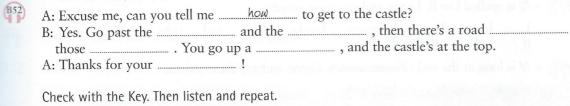
Exercises

20.1 Write these words.

E	XAMPLE	
	/hed/	head
1	/hæt/	
2	/hau/	

4	/ha:f/	
5	/har/	

- 3 /həum/
- 6 /hu:/
- Listen to check your answers. Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.
- **20.2** Listen and complete the dialogue.



20.3 Complete the titles of the pictures using these words.

half hand home perhaps who happy happen hours helping how hi house holiday how history







1 A helping

2 A

3 many









4

5a

6did it

7! 's a

- Listen to check your answers. Check with the Key. Then listen and repeat.
- 20.4 Listen and circle the word you hear. Check with the Key. If you find any of these difficult, go to Section E3 *Sound pairs* for further practice.
 - B54
- 1 hear / ear
- (⇒ sound pair 37)
- 2 high / eye
- (⇒ sound pair 37)