Consonant Sounds of American English Pretest and Pretest Review

Circle the letter of the sentence that you hear.

- 1. A. Help him. He's thinking.
 - B. Help him. He's sinking.
- 2. A. The base is broken.
 - B. The vase is broken.
- 3. A. That's a big load.
 - B. That's a big road.
- 4. A. We need a new pan.
 - B. We need a new fan.
- 5. A. Give him a pat.
 - B. Give him a bat.
- 6. A. Her name starts with "Z."
 - B. Her name starts with "G."
- 7. A. How many chips are there?
 - B. How many ships are there?
- 8. A. The student went to jail.
 - B. The student went to Yale.
- 9. A. There's a long area outside.
 - B. There's a lawn area outside.
- 10. A. The sign said "closing."
 - B. The sign said "clothing."
- 11. A. The night isn't bright enough.
 - B. The light isn't bright enough.
- 12. A. The vest is beautiful.
 - B. The West is beautiful.

Which consonant sounds were difficult for you to hear? Make a note of those sounds here so you can practice later.