

### **How to learn perfect english pronunciation**

At first learn the sounds of English. English uses different sounds than other languages. Students have to know all the English sounds, listen to how they sound in real words and sentences and practice their pronunciation – listen to English words and sentences, and try to repeat them. It is not so important to spend a lot of time practicing; it is more important to do it regularly. Many learners find that just starting to pay attention to pronunciation helps them improve a great deal. It is a good idea to try to imitate English words whenever students are listening to anything in English. They should also try to pronounce English words whenever they're somewhere alone with a little time to spare. Once their mouth and tongue get used to the new sounds, students will not find them difficult at all. Students will need at least some talent for imitating sounds (for instance, if they can imitate people in their own language, it should be easy for them to 'do' English pronunciation). However, if students don't have these skills, they can achieve a lot with persistence and a little technology. One helpful technique is to record own voice and compare it with the correct pronunciation. This way, students can see where their pronunciation is different from the original and they can gradually make it more native-like.

Reading an English word does not tell students how it is pronounced. It is necessary to learn the pronunciation of every word that students are going to use. They can look it up in a dictionary and read about how it is pronounced. Longman Contemporary Dictionary helps students learn the pronunciations of the most important English words. It lets them record their voice and compare it with the correct pronunciation.

Do not let other people tell that 'since you are a foreigner, you will always have a foreign accent'. Here is a list of steps to improve pronunciation and reduce accent: 1. Learn to pronounce the English sounds correctly. 2. Learn phonics rules and patterns to understand and remember the pronunciation of words. 3. Practice words grouped by phonics rules and patterns. 4. Improve listening comprehension by practicing the similar words. 5. Create own word list and practice them to the perfection. 6. Learn accent tips to understand sound linkings, stress, and intonation. 7. Practice sample sentences to help you improve your fluency. 8. Work on one problem sound at a time. Read slowly concentrating on the pronunciation of particular words. Record yourself, keep the tape and record yourself later, have you improved? 9. Don't worry about sounding like a native, it is more important to speak clearly and pleasantly than it is to sound like the Queen. 10. The most important thing to think about is people if understand you. If you have a problem being understood then find someone who speaks English clearly and try to mimic their accent. 11. Talk to friends who are also learning English. Go out together for coffee and only speak English to each other! 12. Find native English speaking friends.