

English Pronunciation Made Simple 2nd Edition

Since its first publication in 1962, Gimson's Pronunciation of English has been the essential reference book for anyone studying or teaching the pronunciation of English. This eighth edition has been updated to describe General British (GB) as the principal accent, rather than RP, and the accompanying transcriptions have been brought into line with recent changes in pronunciation. This latest edition also includes completely rewritten chapters on the history of the language and the emergence of a standard, alongside a justification for the change from RP to GB. A further bonus to this important text is its extensive and attractive new Companion Website (www.routledge.com/cw/cruttenden), which now includes moment-by-moment commentaries on videos showing the articulation of all GB consonants and vowels in spoken phrases, as well as cross-referencing between the book and these videos. The Companion Website also includes new recordings of Old English, Middle English, and Early Modern English, and features links to recordings of recent and current GB with comments and transcriptions. Comprehensive yet accessible, Gimson's Pronunciation of English remains the indispensable reference book for anyone for anyone with an interest in English phonetics.

The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary English Pronunciation provides a comprehensive survey of this field covering both theoretical and practical perspectives on pronunciation. In 35 chapters contributed by leading scholars from around the world, this Handbook examines: linguistic and historical background of sound systems and theoretical issues linked to sound changes; pronunciation acquisition and factors related to speech production; pronunciation research and applications to second language pronunciation; the link between pronunciation and other language skills including perception and other socio-cultural factors; pronunciation and its relation to World Englishes. The Routledge Handbook of Contemporary English Pronunciation will be essential reading for anyone with an interest in pronunciation.

American English Phonetics and Pronunciation Practice provides an accessible introduction to basic articulatory phonetics for students of American English. Built around an extensive collection of practice materials, this book teaches the pronunciation of modern standard American English to intermediate and advanced learners worldwide. This book:

- provides an up-to-date description of the pronunciation of modern American English;
- demonstrates the use of each English phoneme with a selection of high-frequency words, both alone and in context in sentences, idiomatic phrases and dialogues;
- provides examples and practice material on commonly confused sounds, including illustrative pronunciation diagrams;
- is supported by a companion website featuring complete audio recordings of practice material to check your pronunciation against;
- can be used not only for studying pronunciation in the classroom but also for independent practice.

American English Phonetics and Pronunciation Practice is essential reading for any student studying this topic.

Practice exercises to be used in conjunction with the accompanying audio cd.

This is the second edition of a highly successful and widely-used text on pronunciation. It provides a systematic and thorough introduction to the pronunciation of English to help intermediate and more advanced students to improve their production of the spoken language. The particular difficulties of the speakers of certain other languages are noted, including Hindi and Arabic, and remedial exercises provided.

This book is a contrastive analysis of Arabs' (TM) errors in English pronunciation regarding segmentals "consonants, consonant clusters, and vowels" and suprasegmentals "main word stress. It also explains the main interlingual reasons behind these errors, and presents some teaching suggestions for surmounting them. The findings show that the subjects substitute their own Arabic sounds for unfamiliar English ones, producing incorrect English sounds. In addition, they apply Arabic main word stress rules instead of English ones, producing incorrect English stress patterns. The book also shows that English sounds and stress patterns that are both different and more marked than corresponding Arabic ones caused learning difficulties for the subjects.

An intelligibility-based approach to teaching that presents pronunciation as critical, yet neglected, in communicative language teaching.

This second edition provides extensive activities to help college-bound students develop clear speech and appropriate intonation. -- Vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation -- Recognition and production activities -- Paired communicative practice -- Sounds in isolation, sentences, dialogues, and rhymes

Clear English Pronunciation provides students with the tools to effectively communicate in English without centring solely on native-speaker pronunciation models. The focus of the book is on individual pronunciation targets rather than a one-size-fits-all approach. Divided into four sections, each featuring detailed articulatory explanations, sample sentences, and recordings to help learners improve their pronunciation, this book: introduces the phenomenon of pronunciation as part of a broader communicative realm; explains and demonstrates the melody and rhythm of understandable and natural English pronunciation; supports students in identifying and practicing their own pronunciation issues. Supported by an interactive companion website which features recordings and expanded explanations of key topics, Clear English Pronunciation is an essential textbook for international learners of English who want to improve their pronunciation skills in diverse social settings. <https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/clearenglishpronunciation>

This revised second edition provides an introduction to the phonetics and phonology of English. It incorporates all central aspects of research in the phonology of English and involves the reader at every step, with over 80 exercises leading students to discover facts, to formulate general statements, and to apply concepts. Discusses the nature of speech and phonetic description, the principles of phonological analysis, the consonants and vowels of English and their possible sequences. Provides extensive treatment of rhythm, stress, and intonation and the role of these prosodic elements in discourse. Includes more than 80 exercises with feedback and glossary of technical terms. Incorporates developments in phonology since the first edition

appeared.

Advanced English Pronunciation has been designed to meet the needs of foreign language learners with at least upper-intermediate proficiency (CEFR level B2) who want not only to improve their pronunciation, but also to acquire a solid understanding of the rules and rationale of English pronunciation. University students who are considering a career in teaching as well as practising English teachers who wish to perfect their pronunciation will appreciate the value of this dual objective. Key Features: · The twenty recorded lessons with worksheets are suitable for self-study (ideally with a computer) or group work with a teacher (in a language lab). · Each lesson is designed to last approximately 50 minutes. · The book is divided into four parts, addressing all major aspects of English pronunciation - rhythm and weak forms, word stress, spelling-pronunciation rules, intonation and linking. · The characteristic rhythm of English, an important but often neglected aspect of pronunciation, is dealt with right from the start, in the first three lessons. · Basic work on intonation is integrated into each lesson and then reviewed and expanded upon in the final two lessons. · Seven different native English speakers from England have been used for the recordings, representing standard, educated varieties of British English as spoken by people whose origins range from Bournemouth on the south coast to Carlisle near the Scottish border. · An innovative exercise design allows the learner to evaluate his or her knowledge as the exercise is carried out. The learner is able to quickly assess which points he or she must continue to work on as well as which points he or she has mastered. · The exercises are varied and designed to promote active learning. · Brief musical interludes consisting of original recordings by clarinet and cello signal the beginning of each exercise.

Joanna Gray has been training people for over twenty years in the art of voice training and accent reduction to achieve Received Pronunciation, otherwise known as BBC English. Joanna has successfully helped thousands of people across the world to reduce an accent and attain a high standard of English and has worked with professionals from all walks of life, including doctors, lawyers, accountants, CEO's and actors to name but a few. English Pronunciation made easy is a simple to use manual that is accessible to all and will help you to attain BBC English, RP whether English is your first or second language. Joanna has written numerous books and audio programs on voice training and accent reduction and this latest book is her most comprehensive to date. For further information of all of Joanna's products and services please visit www.voice-training.org

Intermediate - Advanced Level. Designed to reduce foreign accents that interfere with effective communication, these two programs, one concentrating on vowels and the other on consonants, include a complete treatment on each as well as diphthongs, stress, rhythm, and intonation patterns of American English. Although planned especially for Spanish speakers, the material is applicable to all non-native speakers. (English Pronunciation for Spanish Speakers Consonants and English Pronunciation for Spanish Speakers Vowels.)

This book will tell all you need to know about British English spelling. It's a reference work intended for anyone interested in the English language, especially those who teach it, whatever the age or mother tongue of their students. It will be particularly useful to those wishing to produce well-designed materials for teaching initial literacy via phonics, for teaching English as a foreign or second language, and for teacher training. English spelling is notoriously complicated and difficult to learn; it is correctly described as much less regular and predictable than any other alphabetic orthography. However, there is more regularity in the English spelling system than is generally appreciated. This book provides, for the first time, a thorough account of the whole complex system. It does so by describing how phonemes relate to graphemes and vice versa. It enables searches for particular words, so that one can easily find, not the meanings or pronunciations of words, but the other words with which those with unusual phoneme-grapheme/grapheme-phoneme correspondences keep company. Other unique features of this book include teacher-friendly lists of correspondences and various regularities not described by previous authorities, for example the strong tendency for the letter-name vowel phonemes (the names of the letters) to be spelt with those single letters in non-final syllables.

Designed to help students overcome their personal pronunciation problems, this text is suitable for either self-study or class use. Each unit includes explanations of how to produce the target sounds and focuses on possible pronunciation problems. Hints to remember pronunciation rules are given.

The Handbook of English Pronunciation presents a comprehensive exploration of English pronunciation with essential topics for applied linguistics researchers and teachers, including language acquisition, varieties of English, historical perspectives, accent's changing role, and connections to discourse, technology, and pedagogy. Provides thorough descriptions of all elements of English pronunciation Features contributions from a global list of authors, reflecting the finest scholarship available Explores a careful balance of issues and topics important to both researchers and teachers Provides a historical understanding of the importance of pronunciation and examines some of the major ways English is pronounced today throughout the world Considers practical concerns about how research and practice interact in teaching pronunciation in the classroom

David Crystal's classic English as a Global Language considers the history, present status and future of the English language, focusing on its role as the leading international language. English has been deemed the most 'successful' language ever, with 1500 million speakers internationally, presenting a difficult task to those who wish to investigate it in its entirety. However, Crystal explores the subject in a measured but engaging way, always backing up observations with facts and figures. Written in a detailed and fascinating manner, this is a book written by an expert both for specialists in the subject and for general readers interested in the English language.

This is the complete course; it contains Books One, Two and Three combined. The course is an accent reduction program for international speakers of English. At the same time, it is rich in both formal and informal American expressions. And it contains exercises and cultural notes prompted, for the most part, by questions from students themselves. The program is now in its second edition. It has been based on and proven successful during years of work with students from many countries. Softcover textbook with 6 audio CDs.

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Mastering the American Accent is an easy-to-follow approach for reducing the accent of non-native speakers of English. Well-sequenced lessons in the book correspond over eight hours of downloadable audio files covering the entire text. The audio program provides clear models (both male and female) to help coach a standard American accent. The program is designed to help users speak Standard American English with clarity, confidence, and accuracy. The many exercises in the book concentrate on topics such as vowel sounds, problematic consonants such as V, W, TH, the American R and T and others. Correct lip and tongue positions for all sounds are discussed in detail. Beyond the production of sounds, the program provides detailed

instruction in prosodic elements such as syllable stress, emphasis, intonation, linking words for smoother speech flow, common word contractions, and much more. Additional topics that often confuse ESL students are also discussed and explained. They include distinguishing between casual and formal speech, homophones (e.g., they're and there), recognizing words with silent letters (e.g., comb, receipt), and avoiding embarrassing pronunciation mistakes, such as mixing up "pull" and "pool." Students are familiarized with many irregular English spelling rules and exceptions, and are shown how such irregularities can contribute to pronunciation errors. A native language guide references problematic accent issues for 13 different language backgrounds. A systematic and thorough introduction to the pronunciation of English for use by intermediate and more advanced students.

This book is open access under a CC BY licence. It spans the areas of assessment, second language acquisition (SLA) and pronunciation and examines topical issues and challenges that relate to formal and informal assessments of second language (L2) speech in classroom, research and real-world contexts. It showcases insights from assessing other skills (e.g. listening and writing) and highlights perspectives from research in speech sciences, SLA, psycholinguistics and sociolinguistics, including lingua franca communication, with concrete implications for pronunciation assessment. This collection will help to establish commonalities across research areas and facilitate greater consensus about key issues, terminology and best practice in L2 pronunciation research and assessment. Due to its interdisciplinary nature, this book will appeal to a mixed audience of researchers, graduate students, teacher-educators and exam board staff with varying levels of expertise in pronunciation and assessment and wide-ranging interests in applied linguistics.

In this vibrant second edition, the authors have drawn from their own multiple years of teaching and from the knowledge and ideas of 50 linguists and ESL teachers who specialize in particular languages. New to this edition is Part I, an entire section on English spelling as a morphophonemic system. Here, Nilsen and Nilsen clearly explain concepts and patterns of English spelling, pronunciation, and meaning to ease the process of learning English for non-native students as well as their teachers. In addition, the authors provide sample activities that creatively and effectively engage students in grasping a particular concept, and include illustrative examples that show English is a systemic language. In Part II, the authors provide extensive lists of both vowel and consonant contrasts, each with phonetic diagrams and descriptions, minimal pairs (both isolated and in sentences), and specific languages for which the contrast may be problematic. These valuable examples help students hear and produce pronunciation differences that are important in English and bring their pronunciation closer to that of native English speakers. Both prospective and practicing teachers will appreciate the flexibility and freedom afforded by these well-designed materials.

"This course offers current and prospective teachers of English a comprehensive treatment of pronunciation pedagogy, drawing on both current theory and practice. The text provides: - an overview of teaching issues from the perspective of different methodologies and second language acquisition research - innovative teaching techniques - a thorough grounding in the sound system of North American English - insight into how this sound system intersects with spelling, morphology, listening, and discourse - diagnostic tools and assessment measures - suggestions for syllabus design. Discussion questions and exercises encourage teachers to draw on their personal language learning/teaching experience as they assimilate the contents of each chapter. A training cassette offers practice in assessing learners' pronunciation"--Publishers's website.

English Pronunciation Instruction: Research-based insights presents recent research on L2 English pronunciation including pedagogical implications and applications, and seeks to bridge the gulf between pronunciation research and teaching practice. The volume's 15 chapters cover a range of aspects that are central to pronunciation teaching, including the teaching of different segmental and suprasegmental features, teachers' and learners' views and practices, types and sources of learners' errors, feedback and assessment, tools and strategies for pronunciation instruction, reactions towards accented speech, as well as the connection between research and teaching. Chapters offer a fully developed section on pedagogical implications with insightful suggestions for classroom instruction. This format and the variety of topics will be informative for researchers, language teachers, and students interested in English pronunciation, as it explores the diverse challenges learners of different L1 backgrounds face, and also provides research-informed techniques and recommendations on how to cope with them.

This book provides materials and procedures for intensive practice in English pronunciation, focusing on those sounds that most frequently present difficulty for foreign language students. Common intonation patterns and reduced forms are included. The format for the presentation of vowel and consonant phonemes is a unique combination of chart and sentence exercises. Ample practice material relieves the teacher of necessity of preparing supplementary exercises. A special feature is a diagnostic test to help identify each student's particular problems. The book is a product of 40+ years' experience with "English as a Second Language" or "English as a Foreign Language (ESL/EFL) students; the exercises have been extensively tested and have proved highly effective at all levels of study – elementary, intermediate, and advanced. Recordings on mp3 of the exercises will be available for use in the classroom, language laboratory, and home. Consonants, vowels, and reduced forms are dealt with in a separate section. Intonation lessons appear at intervals throughout the text; for convenient reference, they are listed as a group at the end of the Table of Contents. Phonemics symbols are used in lesson heads, sub-heads, and sound production instructions. Consonants are represented by International Phonetic Language symbols; vowel symbols are based on the Trager-Smith system.

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