







What is the schwa sound?





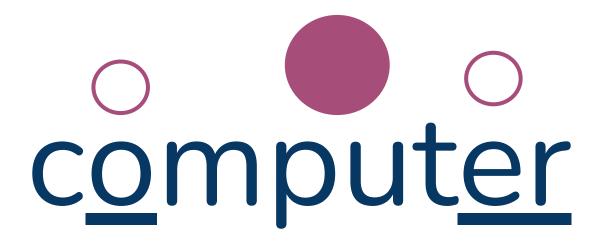


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AR sugar

ER broth<u>er</u>

OR actor

OUR colour

OUS nervous

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## Practice 1

Read these phrases and sentences that use the schwa sound



- 1) <u>A</u>bility
- 2) <u>A</u>bout
- 3) <u>A</u>meric<u>a</u>n
- 4) B<u>a</u>lloon
- 5) Anim<u>a</u>l
- 6) C<u>a</u>pacity
- 7) Capit<u>a</u>l
- 8) Certificate
- 9) Continent
- 10) **E**lectricity

- 1) Fam<u>i</u>ly
- 2) Helicopt<u>er</u>
- 3) Intelligent
- 4) Origin<u>a</u>l
- 5) Penc<u>i</u>l
- 6) Personality
- 7) Pop<u>u</u>larity
- 8) President
- 9) Simil<u>ar</u>
- 10) University



- 1) This cup <u>o</u>f tea is for you
- 2) There <u>are</u> a lot <u>o</u>f books
- 3) The sports centre in my town is big
- 4) Th<u>e</u> phone is black
- 5) Can I see a doctor?
- 6) We <u>are</u> going t<u>o</u> th<u>e</u> theat<u>re</u> t<u>o</u>morrow
- 7) Do you want a banana?
- 8) My favourite seas<u>o</u>n is summ<u>er</u>
- 9) I want to be an actor
- 10) My lev<u>e</u>l is el<u>e</u>mentary



- 1) She <u>a</u>rrives <u>a</u>t 4
- 2) Th<u>e</u> c<u>a</u>thedral is beautiful
- 3) I w<u>a</u>s watching th<u>e</u> film
- 4) Pr<u>o</u>nunciat<u>io</u>n is difficult!
- 5) How often do you go to the cinema?
- 6) I don't like my broth<u>er</u>
- 7) Have you got a minute?
- 8) Th<u>e</u> book is <u>a</u>bout bees
- 9) I like eating fish **a**nd chips
- 10) What's f<u>o</u>r tea?





## Practice 2

How many schwa sounds can you spot in this article?

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The Schwa





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