

Tape Script - PR 7.1

Script-A and Open-O /ɑ/ ~/ɔ/ (*cot* ~ *boss*) vs O Double-U /ow/ (*bone*)
(old symbols: Short O -o- and Short Back O -ô- vs Long O -ō-)

Note: This recording focuses on the sound of Script-A. However, all Script-A words, except those spelled ar# (e.g. *car*), arC (e.g. *card*), may be pronounced acceptably with Open-O.

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PR Tape 7.1 Listening practice for the vowel sounds -o- -- short o (/ɑ/ Script A) and -ō- -- long o (/ow/ O Double-U).

Part 1: Listen to the pairs of words. The first word in each pair has the -o- sound (Script A) – the same sound you hear in *hot*. The second word in each pair has the -ō- sound (O Double-U) – the same sound you hear in *go*. Listen:

not - note	odd - owed
hop - hope	rob - robe
sock - soak	fond - phoned

Part 2: Tell which word in each group is different. Say “1,” “2,” or “3.” Begin:

Part 3: Tell which column each word goes in. Words with -o- (/ɑ/) go in column 1; words with -ō- (/ow/) go in column 2. *Not* is in column 1; *note* is in column 2. Say “1” or “2”. Begin:

Column 1	Column 2
not	note

This is the end of PR Tape 7.1.

(Please wait - the second part of the tape follows a long delay)

PR 7.1-C Pronunciation practice for the vowel sounds -o- -- short o (Script A) and -ō- -- long o (O Double-U).

Part 1: Repeat:

closed
holidays
closed on holidays

know
shopping center
Do you know if the shopping center is closed on holidays?

drop
envelope
drop this envelope
mailbox
Drop this envelope in the mailbox.
post office
the mailbox in front of the post office
I have to drop this envelope in the mailbox in front fo the post office.

population
growth
population growth
controlling
controlling population growth
common
problem
a common problem
over
a common problem all over the world
Controlling population growth is a common problems all over the world.

Part 2: Repeat the phrases in the box:

a local college	a popular kind of clothing
a holiday in October	a holiday in November
a social problem	a local shopping center
a local hospital	a sign of economic growth

Now say the phrase from the box which identifies each thing you hear.
Begin:

jeans	Thanksgiving
Halloween	over-population
Market Place Mall	Carle
Parkland	new industries

Part 3: Repeat the phrases:

American holiday customs
popular American TV shows

common social problems in the U.S.
the quality of local doctors and hospitals
the problems created by over-population
the quality of clothing made in the U.S.

proper behavior in social situations here
the prospects for economic growth in my country

Now, tell your experience. Add "I know a lot about" or "I don't know a lot about" at the beginning of each phrase you hear.

Repeat: I know a lot about
 I don't know a lot about

Begin:

This is the end of PR Tape 7.1-C.