

<oo> Spelling and Sound

Listen to your teacher as she reads the sentence below.

“Look at the flood on the poor moon.”

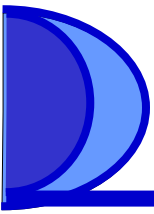
How many different vowel sounds appear in the <oo> spelling?

- The spelling <oo> is most commonly pronounced /u:/.
- Some words spelt with <oo> are pronounced /ʊ / or /ʌ /.
- The spelling <oor> is pronounced /ɔ:/.
- The word “brooch is pronounced /brəʊtʃ/.

EXERCISE 1

Listen to the words in the box and place them into the correct column of the table below.

troop	stood	wood	fool	book	blood	food	soon	
shook	took	moor	wool	brook	cook	cool	flood	foot
poor	roof	good	smooth	floor	zoom	balloon	look	
shampoo	door	rook	zoo	hood	tooth	hook	room	
1	2	3	4					
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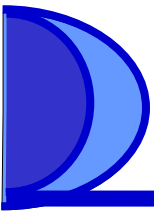
EXERCISE 2

Navigate from start to finish *without* saying the sound /u:/. You may move vertically or horizontally, **NOT** diagonally.

S T A R T

groom	↓ cook	roof	pool	root	school
good	↓ foot	soon	loose	zoom	boot
hood	room	door	flood	look	food
wool	blood	stood	zoo	took	bloom
tooth	moon	mood	shoot	shook	scoop
balloon	proof	boom	fool	woof	tool
choose	shampoo	mushroom	goose	floor	too

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EXERCISE 3

Use the words in the word bank that contain -oo to complete the sentences below.

groom	bloom	wool	booth	brook	roof	proof	stool
raccoon	cookbook	hook	tool	crooked	foolish	shampoo	

1. Pull over a _____ and sit down.
2. The water in the _____ is cold.
3. I showed my ticket as _____ that I could go to the concert.
4. Line up to vote at the voting _____ .
5. Tulips _____ in spring.
6. My _____ has great recipes.
7. We replaced the leaky _____ so we wouldn't get soaked in the kitchen.
8. A _____ ate all the trash.
9. My coat is made of _____.
10. Sarah left to _____ her dog.
11. My _____ smells like roses.
12. The path is _____.
13. I felt _____ when I tripped.
14. A _____ will fix the wheel.
15. A plan _____ fell to the floor.