

American English Pronunciation Practice

Section 5 - Vowel, Diphthong, and Blend Contrasts

AWE vs. ER: lawn-learn

Lesson Goal:

In this lesson, let's practice **AWE vs. ER: lawn-learn**.

Let's practice some words that contrast these sounds.

1. cost - cursed, lawn - learn, saw - sir, walk - work
2. bought - burned, caught - Kurt, fought - first, taught - turned
3. nought - nerve, sought - serve, Paul - pearl, talk - Turk

Let's practice some sentences that have words using these sounds.

1. Kurt walks to work.
2. Pearl talked then fought first.
3. Paul cursed when he burned his shirt.