

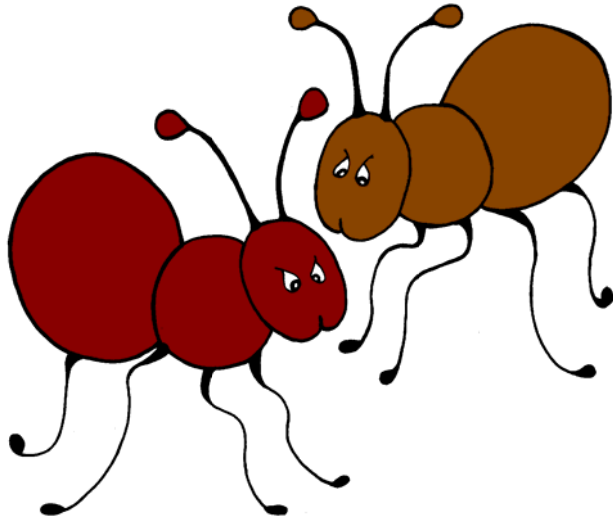
# A a

short a



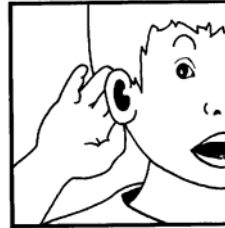
**ACTION**

Wiggle fingers above elbow as if ants crawling on you, and say *a, a, a!*



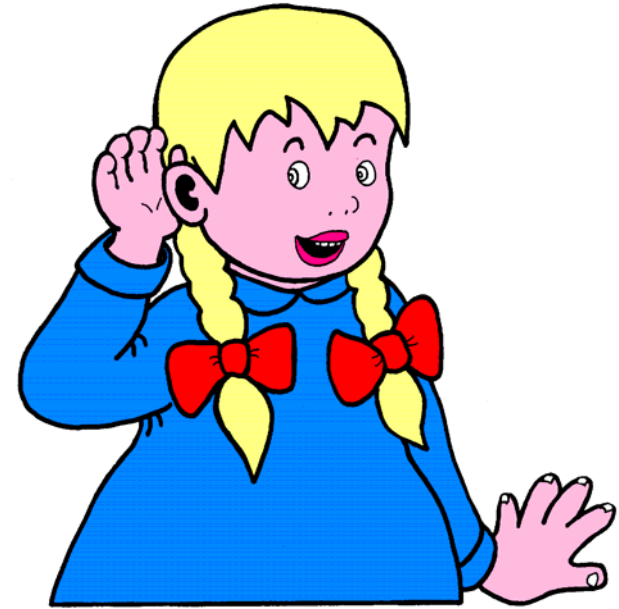
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long a



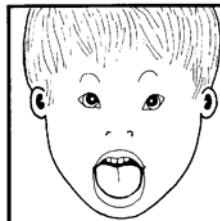
**ACTION**

Cup hand over ear, as if hard of hearing, and say *ay?*



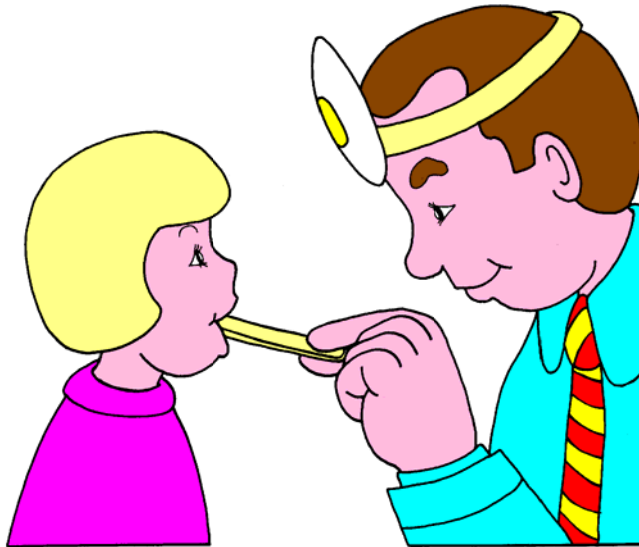
# ar

the 'ar' sound



**ACTION**

Open mouth wide and say *ah.*

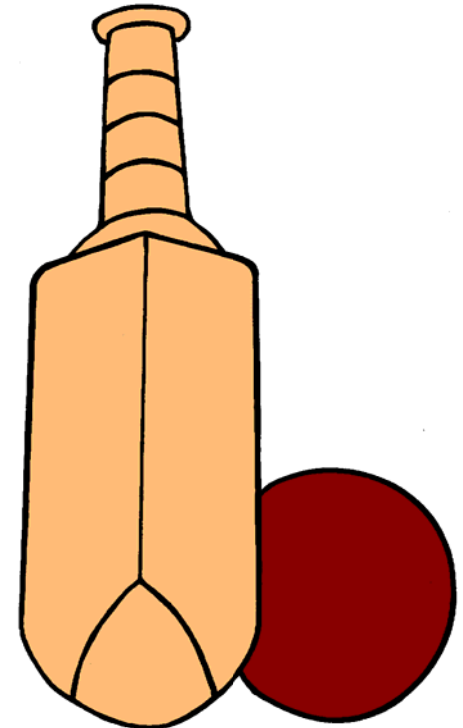


# B b



**ACTION**

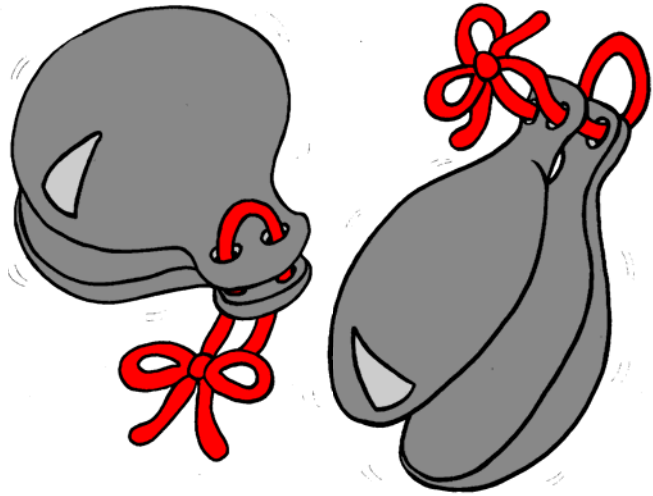
Place hands together as if batting a ball, and say *b, b, b.*



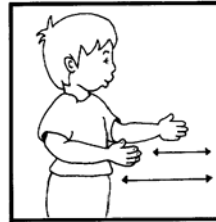
C c  
K k



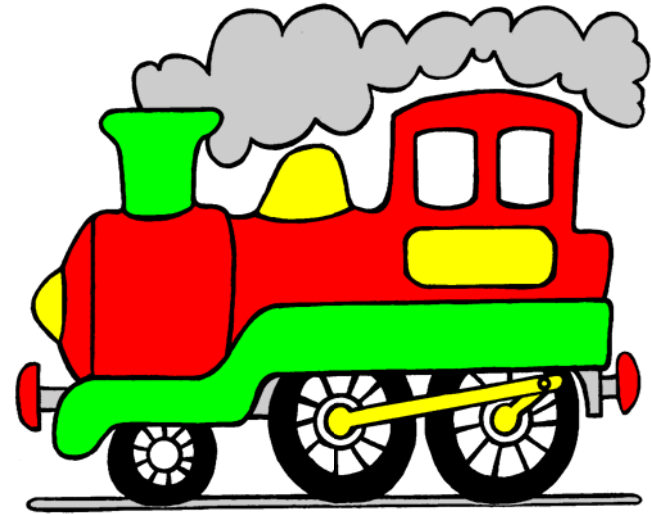
**ACTION**  
Raise hands and snap fingers together as if playing castanets, and say *k, k, k*.



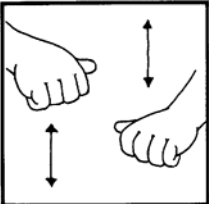
ch



**ACTION**  
Pretend to be a steam train, moving the arms like piston rods, and saying *ch...ch...ch*.



D d

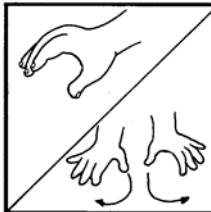


**ACTION**  
Pretend to hold drum sticks and beat up and down on a drum and say *d d d*.

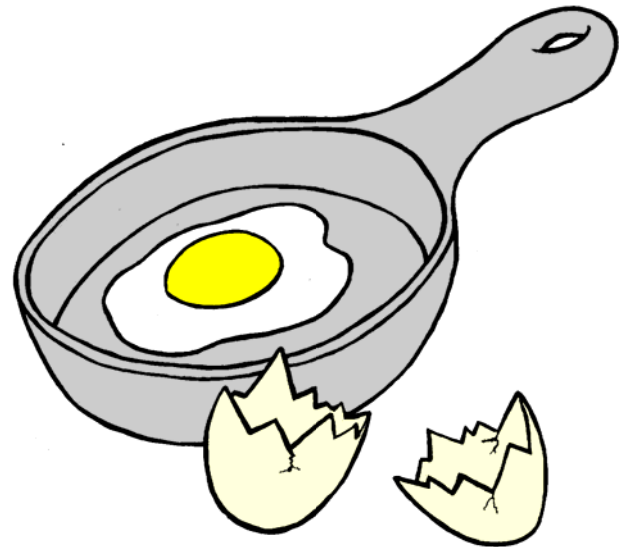


E e

short e



**ACTION**  
Pretend to hold egg with one hand, as if cracking it against the side of a bowl or pan. Use both hands to open shell, saying *eh eh*.



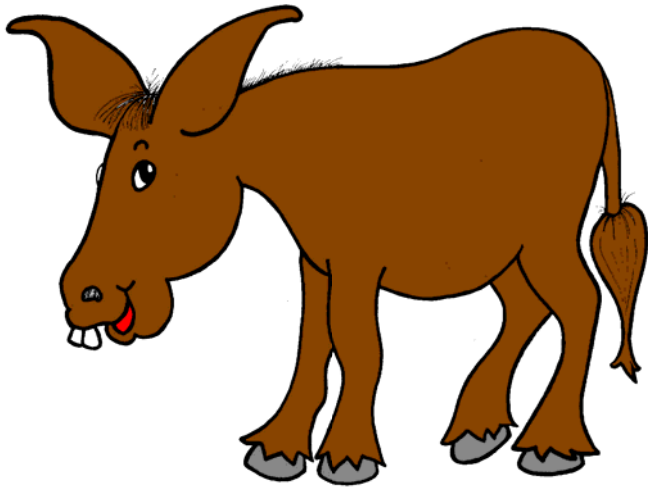
# ee or

long e and the 'or' sound



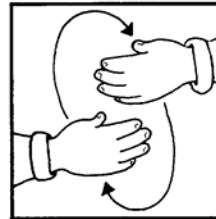
### ACTION

Pretend to be a donkey braying, and saying *ee*ore, *ee*ore.



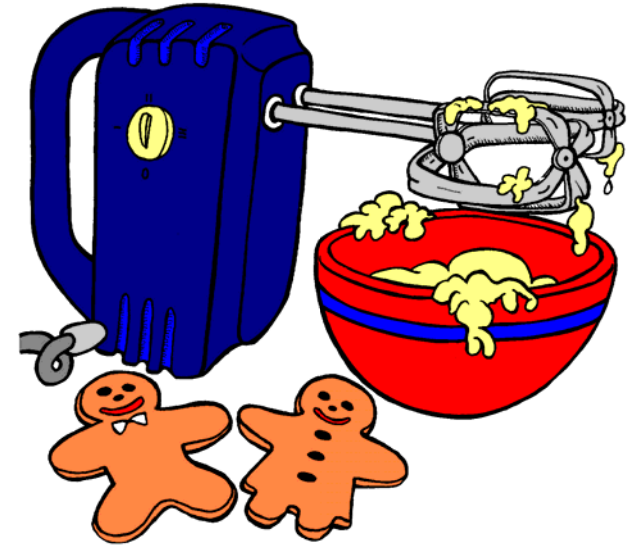
# er

the 'er' sound

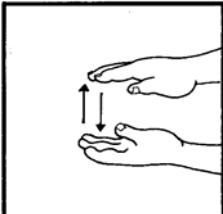


### ACTION

Roll hands over and over each other, and say *er*, *er* (as in *the* or *her*).

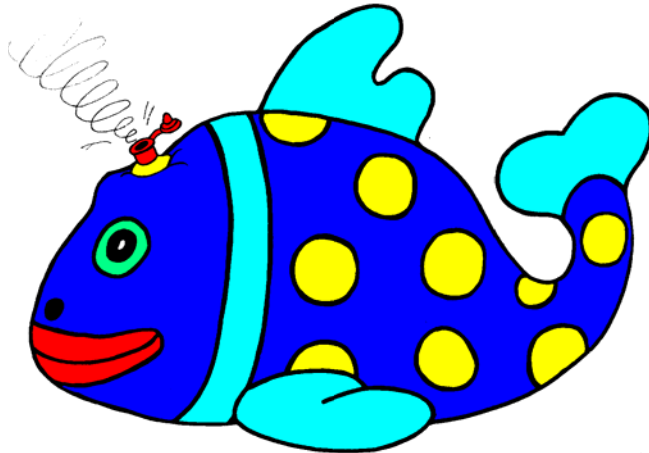


# F f

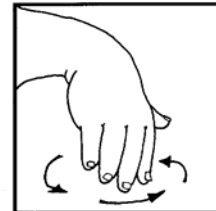


### ACTION

Place one hand above the other, lower the top hand as if inflatable fish is deflating, and say *f*ffffff.



# G g



### ACTION

Spiral hand down as if water gurgling down a plug hole, and say *g*, *g*, *g*, *g*urgle.

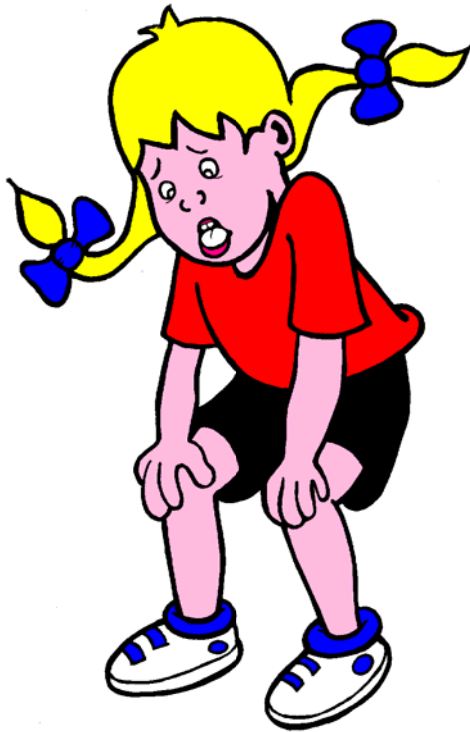


# H h



**ACTION**

Act as if panting after a race, holding hand up to mouth, and saying *h, h, h*.



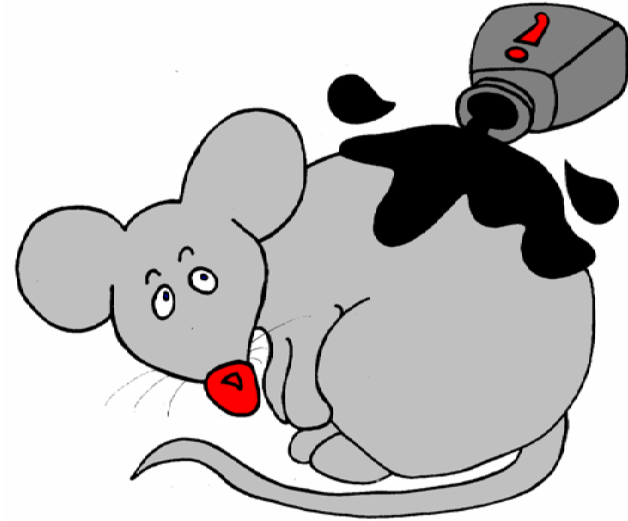
# I i

*short i*



**ACTION**

Pretend to be a mouse, by wiggling fingers on end of your nose (whiskers), and squeak *i, i, i*.



# ie

*long i*



**ACTION**

Stand to attention and salute, saying *aye aye*.

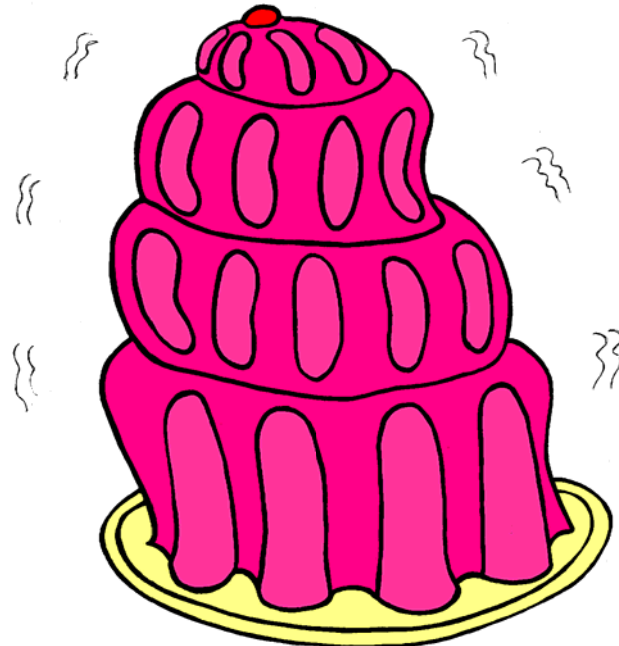


# J j



**ACTION**

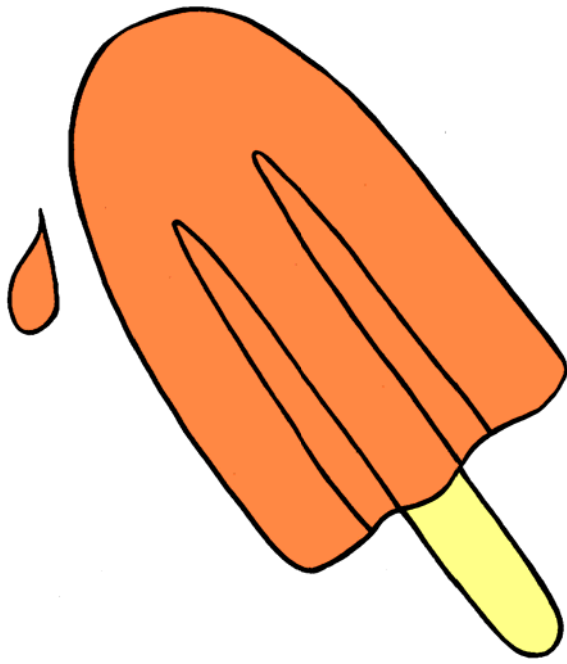
Pretend to be a jelly, and wobble, saying *j, j, j, jelly*.



L l



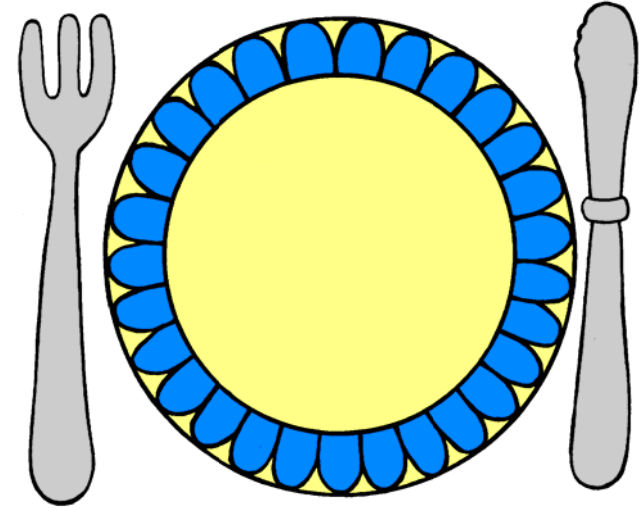
**ACTION**  
Pretend to lick a lolly, saying  
*lllll*.



M m



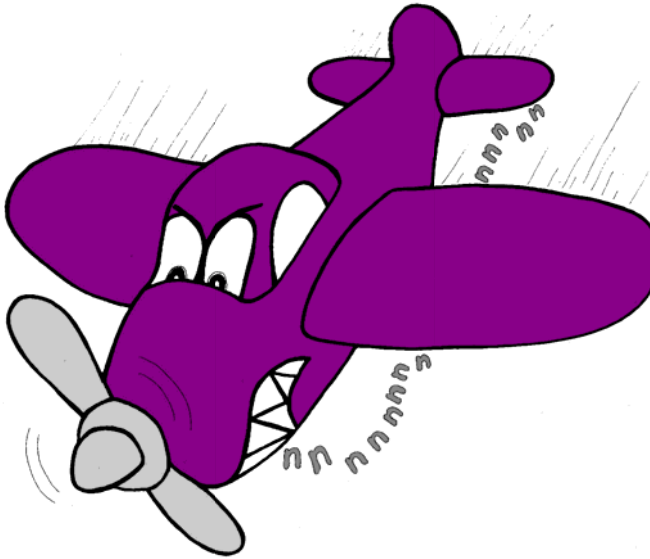
**ACTION**  
Rub tummy, seeing tasty food,  
and say *mmmm*.



N n



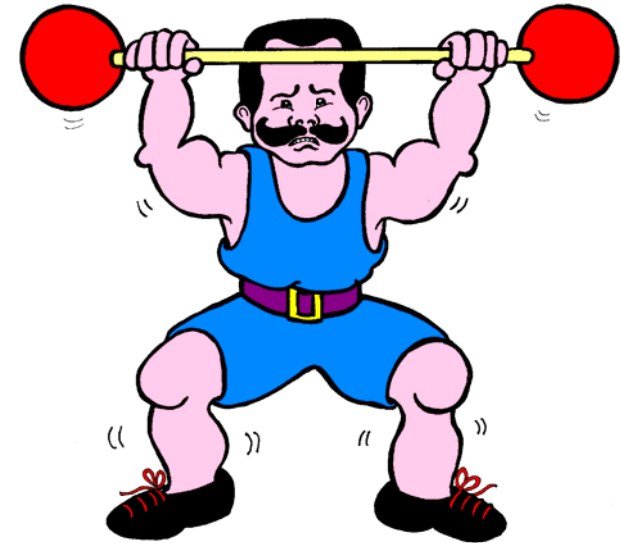
**ACTION**  
Hold out arms as if an aeroplane  
nose diving, and say *nnnnn*.



ng

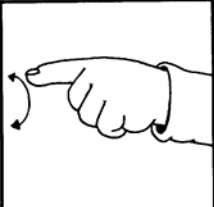


**ACTION**  
Pretend to be a weightlifter,  
bringing arms above head, and  
say *ng...*



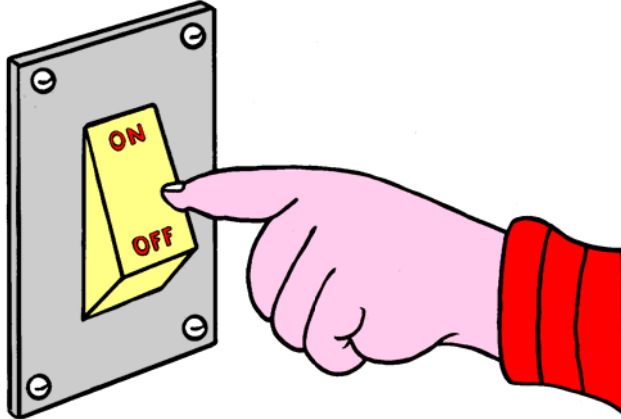
O o

short o



**ACTION**

Imagine turning switch on and off, and say o, o, o, o; on, off.



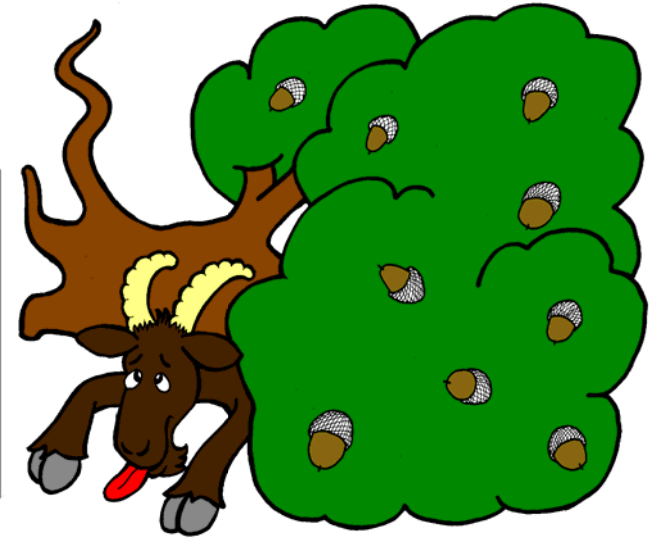
oa

long o



**ACTION**

Bring hand up to mouth as if seeing something go wrong, and say oh!



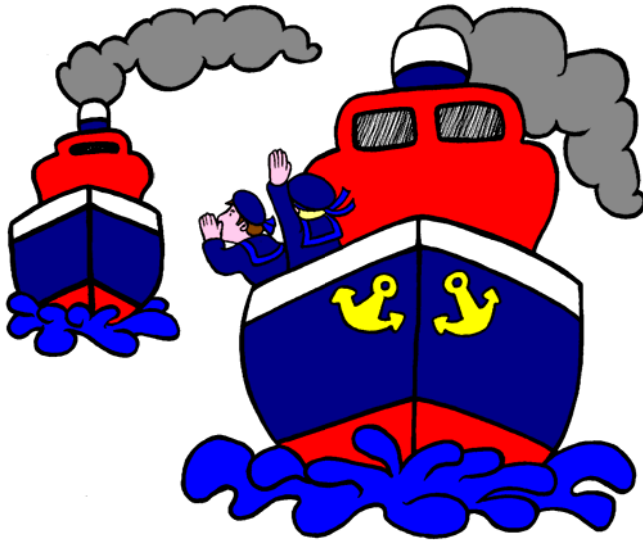
oi

the 'oi' sound



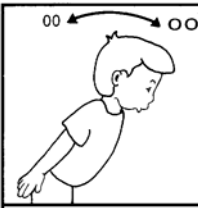
**ACTION**

Cup hands around mouth as if hailing a passing boat, saying oi, ship ahoy!



oo oo

Little and long oo



**ACTION**

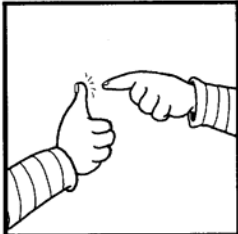
Imagine being the cuckoo in a cuckoo clock, jutting head forward and back, saying the call of the cuckoo: u, oo; u, oo.





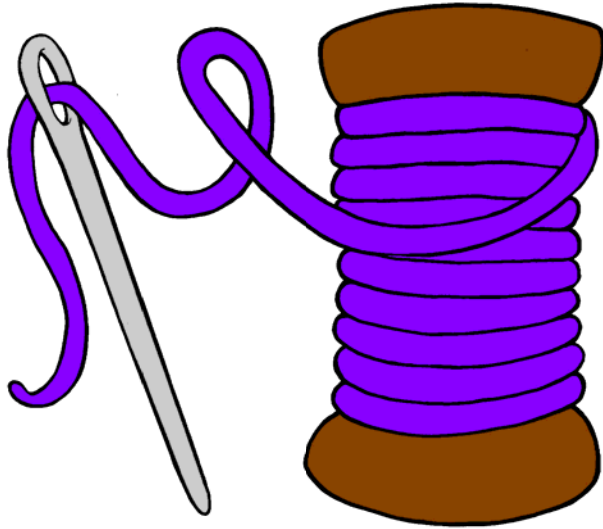
# ou

the 'ou' sound

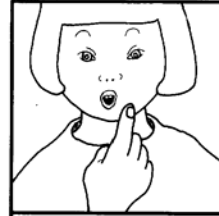


### ACTION

Pretend your finger is a needle, and prick thumb, saying *ow!*

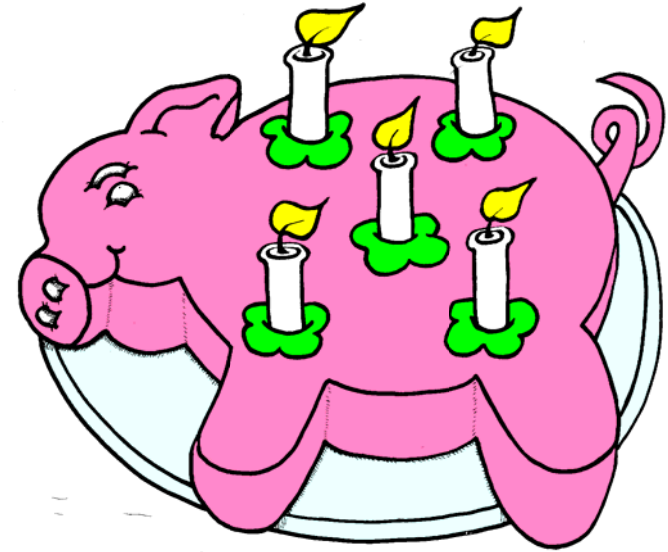


# P p

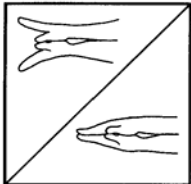


### ACTION

Hold up index finger, as if it is a lit candle, and imagine puffing it out, saying *p*.

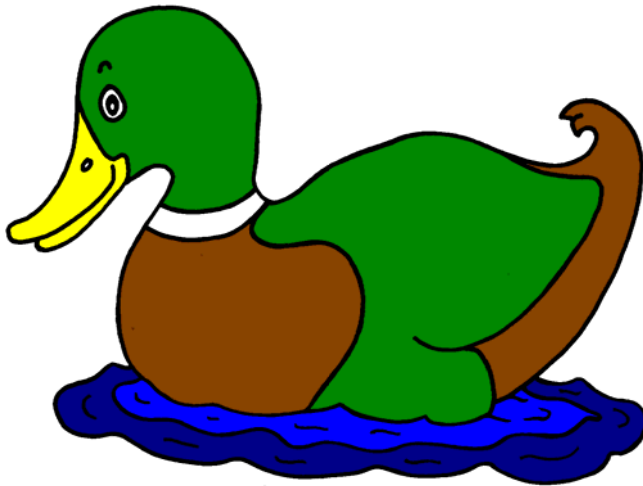


# QU qu

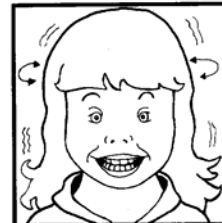


### ACTION

Make a duck's beak with hinged hands, and say *qu, qu, qu, quack*.



# R r

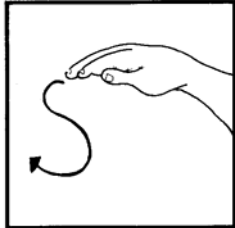


### ACTION

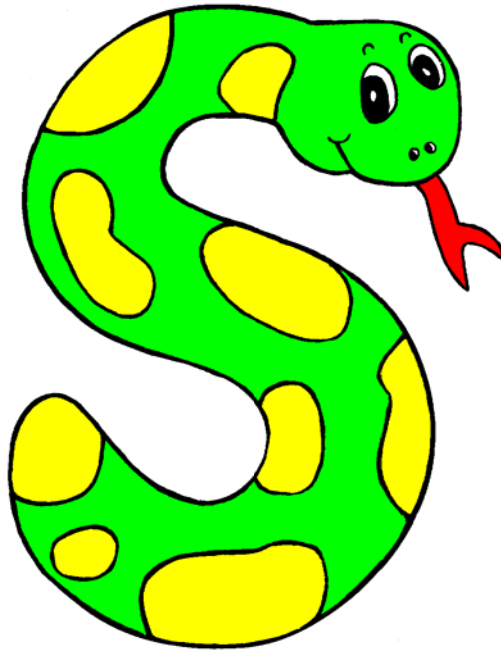
Pretend to be a puppy pulling a rag, with teeth clenched and shaking head, saying *rrrr*.



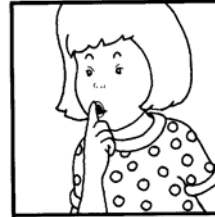
S s



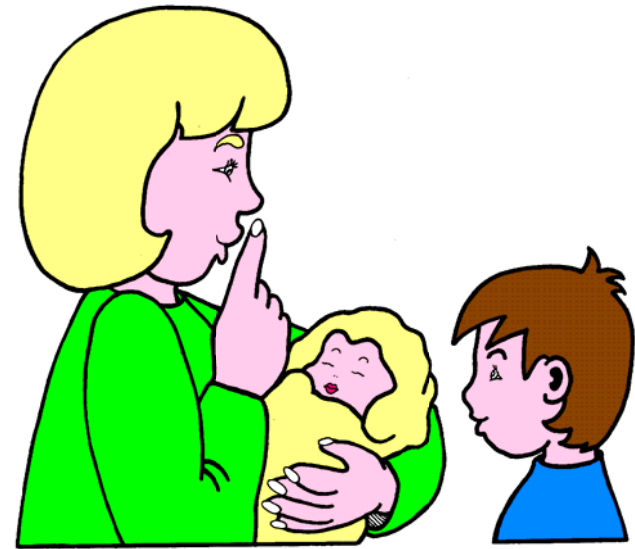
**ACTION**  
Weave like a snake, making s shapes, saying sssss.



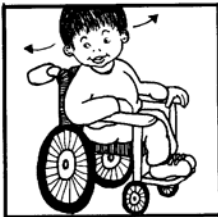
sh



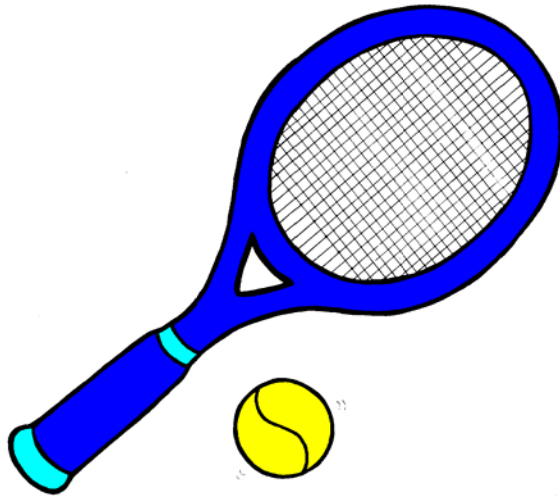
**ACTION**  
Place index finger over lips, and say sh.



T t

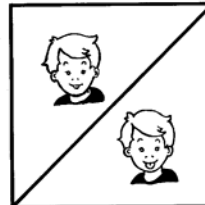


**ACTION**  
Children imitate watching tennis, turning head from side to side and saying tttt.

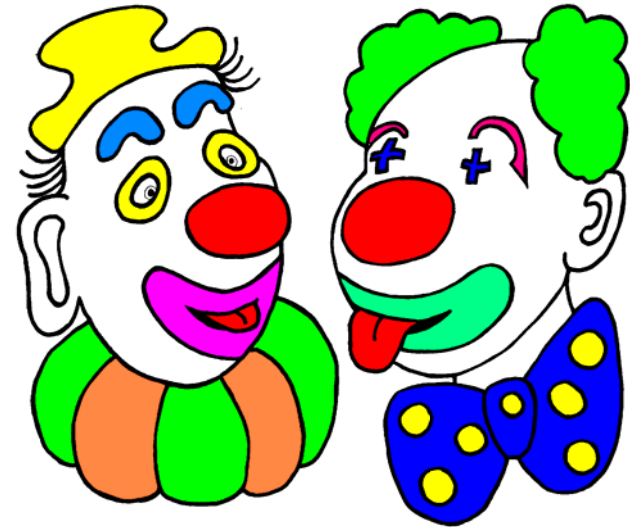


th th

voiced and unvoiced th



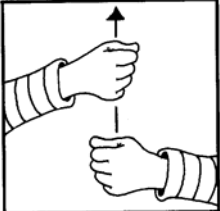
**ACTION**  
Child pretends to be a little rude by sticking out tongue a little and saying th (as in them), and very rude by sticking tongue further out and saying th (as in thumb).





# U u

short u



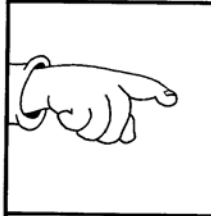
**ACTION**

Keep one hand steady and raise the other, as if raising an umbrella, and say u...u...u...up.



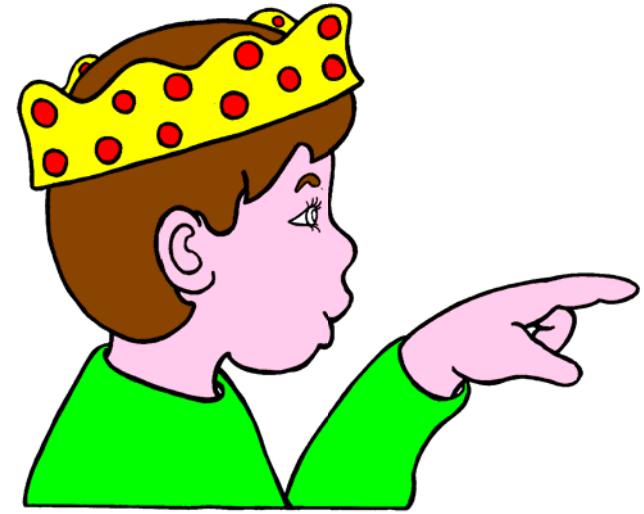
# ue

long u



**ACTION**

Point to different people around you, and say you...you...you



# V v



**ACTION**

Pretend to be driving along in a van, saying vvvv.

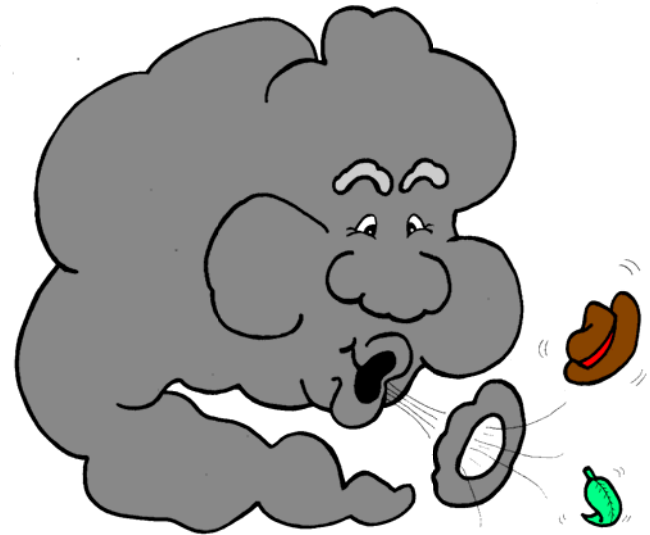


# Ww

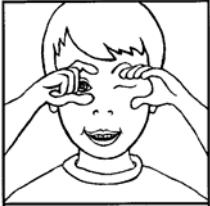


**ACTION**

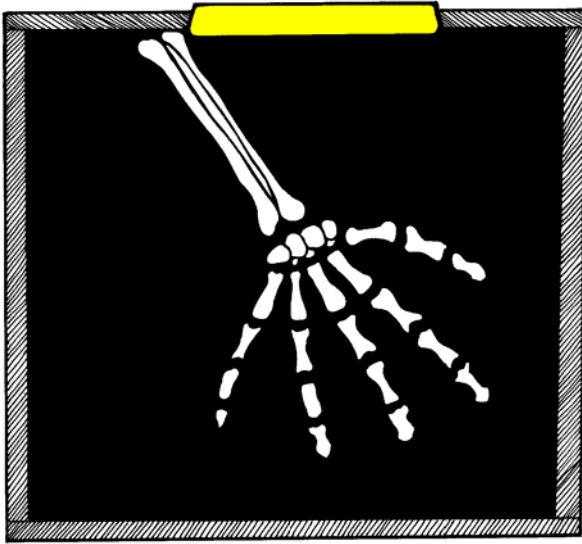
Blow onto open hand like the wind, repeating wh, wh, wh.



**X x**



**ACTION**  
Pretend to take an x-ray with an x-ray camera, saying ks, ks, ks.



**Y y**



**ACTION**  
Pretend to eat yogurt from a spoon, saying y, y, yogurt, with each spoonful.



**Z z**



**ACTION**  
Pretend to be a bee, with elbows in, and hands flapping, saying ZZZzzzzZZZZz.

