

American Accent Training With 5 Audio Cds

This second edition provides extensive activities to help college-bound students develop clear speech and appropriate intonation. -- Vowels, consonants, stress, and intonation -- Recognition and production activities -- Paired communicative practice -- Sounds in isolation, sentences, dialogues, and rhymes

Envision the ability to present a contract or proposal to your colleagues and not worrying about how you sound, confident in knowing that you've effectively masked your accent and how everyone is listening to you. With this guide, you'll learn the easiest ways to sound more like a native speaker and dramatically improve the way you sound.

This is the 3rd edition of the world-acclaimed The American Accent Guide. The American Accent Guide provides comprehensive training on the standard American accent. The materials for this program consist of a book and accompanying streaming audio. The book provides a link and an access code for the audio, which can then be streamed on any digital device. The methods and principles of this program are based on the belief that an efficient way to become a clear and effective speaker in a non-native language is to gain an understanding of the phonology (sound system) of that language. The American Accent Guide addresses the entire sound system of American English and gives thorough attention to each of its elements. These elements are: Intonation Stress Rhythm Individual vowel sounds Individual consonant sounds The program found in The American Accent Guide addresses each of these elements through a variety of engaging, interactive exercises that use everyday language in situations ranging from casual to technical and from informal to professional. The American Accent Guide is divided into eight sections, each of which contains its own numbering sequence and audio. Each section addresses a complete and distinct aspect of the American accent, so the student can potentially study each part independently. Although each section is complete in and of itself, exercises do reinforce skills addressed in previous sections. This makes studying the program in the order presented the most effective way to both understand the concepts and practice and improve one's accent. By the end of the course, learners will possess a clear idea of how to process the American accent and have the basic speaking tools required to express it. They will also be prepared to continue building their accent skills through purposeful listening to the way that native speakers of American English communicate. Who is The American Accent Guide for? Typical users of The American Accent Guide include universities, colleges, language schools, speech-language pathologists, ESL instructors, and individual learners. The program is appropriate for students representing all foreign language backgrounds, given that they possess at least a low-intermediate command of the English language. The Approach The American Accent Guide introduces the elements of American English speech in the most logical sequence, integrating each of them into natural contexts. It takes a highly complex accent system and makes it easy to understand. While practicing new speech patterns, the learner gains awareness of the underlying rules of the American English sound system. These insights facilitate continued improvement and increased fluency in standard American English. The Dialect The dialect used in The American Accent Guide is standard American English, sometimes referred to as "General American." This accent is heard widely throughout parts of the United States and Canada; it is the preferred standard in North American news media and movies. Exercises in The American Accent Guide reflect the communication style of American culture, and they incorporate common idioms and colloquialisms used frequently in everyday situations. The Audio The American Accent Guide is accompanied by clear audio featuring a mix of male and female speakers of standard American English. Audio track markers are easily located in small circles throughout the text. The entire book is available in audio form, and the program can be followed using the audio independently should the student wish to use it that way. Changes to the New Edition This new 3rd edition of The American Accent Guide builds upon the successes of the previous editions. It includes revisions with new ideas, more exercises, and a new, expanded section on the topic of word stress."

This easy-to-use listening book introduces students to the most common reduced forms of spoken English -- fully contextualized in conversations both practical and entertaining.

This American English edition of English Grammar in Use can be used both as a classroom text and as a grammar reference for students. Each unit deals with a particular grammar point (or points), providing clear explanations and examples on the left-hand page, with exercises to check understanding on the facing right-hand page. The book covers many of the problems intermediate students of American English encounter, including tense usage, modals, conditionals, the subjunctive and prepositions. A separate answer key is available for self-study, individual work in the language laboratory and as an easy reference for teachers.

Jan believed she was 'in love'. She accepted a proposal of marriage, and then sent money to a professional scammer. Jan is one of the rare few survivors of a romance scam who has the courage to speak up, and she does - loudly, eloquently and frequently telling the whole sordid story. You might think it can't happen to you, but can you be sure?

Updated to reflect questions found on the most recent ESL tests, this book presents 400 common phrasal verbs as they are used in everyday English. Phrasal verbs are verbs combined with prepositions or adverbs. Familiarity with phrasal verbs and understanding their use as nouns (breakup, showoff, etc.) or adjectives (spaced-out, broken-down, stressed-out, and many others) is essential to ESL students. Updated information includes: the most commonly used phrasal verbs; activities and examples that reflect our current technology and the world around us; an expanded introduction for the teacher with a thorough breakdown and explanation of phrasal verbs; and, a discussion of separable and inseparable phrasal verbs in Unit I, and more. This book's hundreds of examples in context and hundreds of exercises will be extremely useful to ESL students who are preparing for TOEFL or who simply wish to improve their English.

Clear Speech, Second Edition, is a highly successful and innovative pronunciation course for intermediate and advanced students of English. The Audio Cassettes contain the listening material for all of the listening tasks, as well as the Clear Listening Test.

Finally, the go-to handbook for pulling off a convincing New York Accent. Hollywood dialect coach Ivan Borodin invites you to benefit from twenty years of preparing actors for stage and screen. The New York born instructor outlines the major aspects of this famously aggressive accent, including: *Monotone delivery *Increased nasality *Favoring the upper lip *'Yuge' changes *Unraveling contractions After going through this program, you'll have the audience convinced you're a New Yorker mid-way through your first sentence. This course is innovatively supported by free-to-access YouTube videos. Study this book while a veteran dialect coach spoon feeds you the subtleties of the accent. Interested in mastering a New York accent? Then this course will take you there in a very different way. Benefit from the best of two decades of experience. Awaken the New Yorker in you with this straightforward publication from a dialectician with a profound love of accents. 'Speak with a New York Accent' takes the exotic art of performing with dialects and delivers easy-to-follow lessons. Break all barriers to learning the New York accent with this book, and at your next audition the casting directors will be scraping their jaws off the

floor. This program is also extremely helpful for comedians and voice-over artists. Ivan Borodin has taught dialects and accent reduction since 1993 at Los Angeles City College and Los Angeles Valley College Community Services, and several other schools. He has worked as a dialect coach on several films, including 'The Truth about Angels'.

In one compact volume, Japanese Verbs & Essentials of Grammar, Second Edition, offers an integrated beginner's guide to all major verbal and grammatical concepts of the Japanese language. This latest edition of the popular and accessible guide has been updated to include: Expanded vocabulary lists featuring common idiomatic phrases New examples of sentences and sentence structure An in-depth introduction to Japanese scripts Each of the 46 units includes clear explanations and examples to help you master the Japanese language. Romaji, or transliteration, is featured throughout.

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Directed to speakers of English as a second language, a multi-media guide to pronouncing American English covers grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, reading, writing, and listening comprehension. Intended to help develop communication skills for professional advancement and social situations. It is recommended that students use the book in the initial stages of learning. Then practice again and again relying primarily on the sound discs.

Publisher's Note: Products purchased from Third Party sellers are not guaranteed by the publisher for quality, authenticity, or access to any online entitlements included with the product. Mastering the American Accent is an easy-to-follow approach for reducing the accent of non-native speakers of English. Well-sequenced lessons in the book correspond over eight hours of downloadable audio files covering the entire text. The audio program provides clear models (both male and female) to help coach a standard American accent. The program is designed to help users speak Standard American English with clarity, confidence, and accuracy. The many exercises in the book concentrate on topics such as vowel sounds, problematic consonants such as V, W, TH, the American R and T and others. Correct lip and tongue positions for all sounds are discussed in detail. Beyond the production of sounds, the program provides detailed instruction in prosodic elements such as syllable stress, emphasis, intonation, linking words for smoother speech flow, common word contractions, and much more. Additional topics that often confuse ESL students are also discussed and explained. They include distinguishing between casual and formal speech, homophones (e.g., they're and there), recognizing words with silent letters (e.g., comb, receipt), and avoiding embarrassing pronunciation mistakes, such as mixing up "pull" and "pool." Students are familiarized with many irregular English spelling rules and exceptions, and are shown how such irregularities can contribute to pronunciation errors. A native language guide references problematic accent issues for 13 different language backgrounds.

This unique book offers a complete course in how to do any accent and also gives you the tools to navigate your way through a specific accent. Using solid technical know-how, clear practical steps, real-life examples, and the occasional dose of humour, the Haydn/Sharpe System brings to the surface the underlying structure of accents. The authors share the processes that they, as specialist dialect coaches, have developed, to give you the insight, tools and confidence to work with accents. This second edition includes examples and exercises for six new accents. Includes a free online code to access detailed exercises and sample sentences – giving you the sounds you need to get your accent skills going! Also includes ready-to-use resource recordings of the following accents: Norfolk (NEW), Yorkshire (NEW), Standard Canadian (NEW), Standard Australian (NEW), Standard American, Northern Irish (Belfast), Southern Irish (Cork), Scottish (Glasgow), Newcastle, Manchester, Liverpool, South Wales (Swansea), West Midlands (Walsall), Cockney, Neutral Standard English, Contemporary 'Street' London (NEW), Cornish.

Here's How to Do Accent Modification: A Manual for Speech-Language Pathologists is designed for speech-language pathologists (SLPs) working with clients on accent modification in American English. A growing number of non-native speakers are interested in improving their communication skills and SLPs need preparation to work with this clientele. The text provides copious advice and many diverse techniques for teaching accent modification, from the level of basic sounds to the level of discourse. The text emphasizes realistic goal setting, so that clients focus on becoming effective communicators as opposed to sounding exactly like native speakers. The objective is a balance between clear and natural speech. Many SLPs favor intelligibility over naturalness because of their backgrounds working with speech delayed children, but with non-native speakers this often leads to unnatural speech and listeners focus on how something is said as opposed to what is said. Here's How to Do Accent Modification is uniquely geared toward the skills and backgrounds of SLPs working with clients in a one-on-one setting, but is also an excellent introductory text for any English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher. Robert McKinney brings this unique perspective as a speech-language pathologist with degrees in both Communication Disorders and Teaching English as a Second Language. Also included with the text are numerous practical activities and worksheets for working with clients. The ebook includes audio files and video clips to demonstrate working with non-native speakers.

The Secret to Speak Fluent English This book is specially written for advanced students of the English language who wishes to improve his/her English fluency to the next level but seems to have hit a plateau. Regardless of what actions are taken, progression is slow or limited. Here is a checklist to see if this guide is for you. You Are an Advanced English Speaker If.. ? You can understand 70% of an English speaking movie. ? You can answer simple questions in a conversation, but you have a hard time elaborate your points when trying to explain in more details. ? You can have a short conversation, but you stutter sometimes when you speak. ? You can write better than you speak. ? You stutter when you try to speak fast. ? You can speak quite well, but you have a strong accent. If one of those sounds familiar to you, perhaps you have found the right book. This book is essential for you to break through and not only improving your spoken skills but developing them so well that you can speak like a native English speaker. Armed with the proven tips, tricks, and techniques in this book, you'll discover that you'll be soaring to an entirely new and exciting level of learning within days. On top of that, these guidelines can be used nearly effortlessly. Proven Technique That Works You'll discover what "shadowing" is and how it can painlessly take you to a supreme status in your studies. You'll also learn about a related method of learning to pronounce English fearlessly. It's called the "scriptorium method." Once you try it you'll realize why so many people praise its effectiveness. English is not an easy language to learn. But if you are using proper methods to learn and speak, you'll find that your next level of learning is just a click away. Learn and adopt these techniques, tips, and many more secrets revealed in this book, and your English fluency will be on a whole different level in 60 days ! Remember: Practice doesn't make perfect. Perfect practice makes perfect. Download Now and Start Speaking Fluent English!

At the end of her bestselling memoir Eat, Pray, Love, Elizabeth Gilbert fell in love with Felipe - a Brazilian-born man of Australian citizenship who'd been living in Indonesia when they met. Resettling in America, the couple swore eternal fidelity to each other, but also swore to never, ever, under any circumstances get legally married. (Both survivors of difficult divorces. Enough

said.) But providence intervened one day in the form of the U.S. government, who - after unexpectedly detaining Felipe at an American border crossing - gave the couple a choice: they could either get married, or Felipe would never be allowed to enter the country again. Having been effectively sentenced to wed, Gilbert tackled her fears of marriage by delving completely into this topic, trying with all her might to discover (through historical research, interviews and much personal reflection) what this stubbornly enduring old institution actually is. The result is *Committed* - a witty and intelligent contemplation of marriage that debunks myths, unthreads fears and suggests that sometimes even the most romantic of souls must trade in her amorous fantasies for the humbling responsibility of adulthood. Gilbert's memoir - destined to become a cherished handbook for any thinking person hovering on the verge of marriage - is ultimately a clear-eyed celebration of love, with all the complexity and consequence that real love, in the real world, actually entails.

Learning another language can often be a challenging task. Teacher and author Marianne Raynaud has developed an intensive program to aid teachers and students with materials that really work. Filled with unique and motivating activities, the ideas presented will help all teachers of foreign languages to assist their students to effectively and efficiently learn a new language. With more than twenty-four years of experience teaching, Raynaud details her philosophy and the techniques she has developed. The text is accompanied by a Digital Document Annex that includes more than 1,500 ready-to-use teaching materials focusing on listening, comprehension, grammar, vocabulary, and translations. The annex also contains PowerPoint presentations, audio recordings, short videos, and examples of student work. Chapters provide information about: Incorporating teamwork Establishing a core curriculum Individualizing teaching Helping students enjoy labs Writing exercises that correspond to student needs Providing a challenging workload Intended to help teachers establish a successful program, *QualityTime-ESL: The Digital Resource Book* provides an extensive toolbox of teaching materials from which teachers can freely choose and then adapt. This detailed guide will help teachers to create a dynamic learning course to further the teaching of English.

Directed to speakers of English as a second language, a multi-media guide to pronouncing American English uses a "pure-sound" approach to speaking to help imitate the fluid ways of American speech.

Lose Your Accent in 28 Days is the powerful, proven system that will help the learner master American English pronunciation in weeks not months or years. This system features an interactive CD-ROM that shows you exactly how to pronounce EVERY vowel and consonant through hundreds of video clips. The Audio CD includes over 70 minutes of material on rhythm, stress, and everyday speech patterns. The book offers 80 techniques for better pronunciation. In all, the system offers 956 guided examples. Written by world-renowned accent reduction expert, Judy Ravin.

This cds present six 35-minute lessons, each one covering key obstacles faced by nonnative English speakers. accompanying the cds is a booklet containing written pronunciation guidelines and transcriptions of the sound, words, and sentences you encounter on the recording.

A comprehensive accent reduction guide for self-study, including a book, an interactive CD-ROM, and 4 audio CDs. With a hard plastic media case.

Reduce your accent when pronouncing English, with the expertise from an acclaimed specialist in the area Developed by acclaimed speech consultant and accent specialist Susan Cameron, *Perfecting Your English Pronunciation* features her successful method, which focuses on the anatomical placement of sound and on the musculature used in articulation. Where other accent reduction/English pronunciation products rely on solely mimicking of audio sounds, this work focuses visually, audibly, and narratively on the physical ability to speak English, noting that many sounds of English may be difficult for you because some tongue positions used in English may not be used in your native language. The 45-minute DVD introduces you to mouth and jaw exercises to prepare you for English, then demonstrates mouth formations and tongue placement using other nonnative speakers like you. You will see and hear how English sounds--enabling you to become more and more comfortable conversing with native English speakers as you go through the program.

New and expanded third edition of *American Accent Training with 5 new audio CDs* has four all-new chapters that cover the psychology of accent acquisition, American voice quality, a pronunciation overview, and an ESL instructor's guide. The new CDs feature professional male and female voices that have been carefully selected to represent that perfect American accent. With 30 years of extensive research, the unique AAT methodology has been refined to teach the American sound quickly and easily, paying special attention to: -- Voice quality, with emphasis on accurate presentation of the authentic American sound -- Pronunciation, with attention to all vowels, consonants, blends, and diphthongs -- Intonation, which focuses on syllable stress rules and word stress in a sentence -- Linking, or liaisons between phonetically transcribed sounds so students can "see" the sound.

Most travel diaries fizzle. By day six of a big trip, people are struggling to recall what happened on days three, four, and five. They return home with mostly empty journals, or bland writing that fails to capture the full spirit of their journeys. Award-winning travel humorist Dave Fox comes to the rescue in this book that's both informative and irreverently funny. You'll learn to: -- Bring destinations to life with bold details. -- Splash those details quickly onto your pages so journaling doesn't gobble up your precious vacation time. -- Elude your "Inner Censor" and write with confidence. -- Weave together your "outer" and "inner" journeys, using unfamiliar places as a backdrop for self-discovery. Dave shares his favorite journaling techniques, shows how to find time to write in the middle of an exciting trip, and infuses it all with a generous dose of his off-the-wall humor. Whether your journeys are weekend road trips or excursions around the world, this book will help transform you into a travel journaling superhero!

The audio CD contains all of the dialogues in the book.

Clearer pronunciation for better communication If your English accent is letting you down, this is the perfect book for you. You'll see and hear how to soften the influence of your

mother tongue and speak clear English everyone will understand. Professional accent coaches Sarah and Helen show you how to pronounce each sound and when to use them. They will help you recognize why your native language makes you mispronounce certain sounds and which sounds you therefore need to focus on. Collins Work on your Accent features: Thirty-six units on the main consonant and vowel sounds in English "What am I doing wrong?" section looks at the mistakes you are most likely to be making based on your native language Advice on rhythm, stress and pitch Videos, illustrations and photos demonstrating the correct positions to produce accurate sounds A DVD-ROM with video and audio clips providing clear nativespeaker model pronunciation Extra practice sections concentrating on the most problematic sounds CEF level B1-C2 Suitable for self-study and classroom use.

Optimized for use as an eBook, American Accent Training is a great training tool for classroom or for personal use! In recent years, this title has gained wide respect as a self-teaching program, but more and more speech trainers, teachers, and speech therapists report that they are also using it as a valuable teaching tool in their speech classes. The program goes where no American accent training tool has gone before, providing highly innovative instruction for both students and business people. The structure of the book has been reorganized, offering students a much more clear and direct sequence of lessons and a path to better understanding. The online audio component features professional male and female voices that have been carefully selected to represent authentic American pronunciation and intonation. Pronunciation exercises encompass all vowel sounds, consonants, blends, and diphthongs Emphasis on linking, or phonetically transcribed sound liaisons, help students "see" the correct sounds. Designed for foreign-born students and business people working, traveling, or studying in the United States and Canada. Supplementary materials include detailed nationality guides for 11 languages (Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Spanish, French, German, Russian, Korean, Arabic, the U.S. Southern accent, and African languages). More valuable features include access to a comprehensive website, and referral to a qualified telephone analyst for an individual diagnostic speech analysis.

"A guide to speaking and pronouncing American English for everyone who speaks English as a second language"--Container.

American Accent Drills for British and Australian Speakers provides a comprehensive guide to learning a "General American" accent, made specifically for native English speakers. Unlike most American accent guides, which are geared toward ESL learners, this handbook covers only the shifts that English speakers need to make – nothing more, nothing less. In addition to vowel and consonant drills, it covers the finer points of American intonation and elision, features that often elude English speakers of other dialects. Finally, it provides exercises for "owning" the dialect, finding authenticity and making it work for each individual actor in their own way. This is an excellent resource for students of speech and dialects, actors from the UK, Australia, and New Zealand, and advanced ESL learners who need to use an American accent on screen or on stage. American Accent Drills for British and Australian Speakers also includes access to downloadable audio files of the practice drills featured in the book, to help students practice and perfect their American accent.

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