

# Pronunciation

## Minimal Pairs /ɑ:/ /ɔ:/ words like FAR and FOR

### Activity 1

Listen to your teacher saying the words in Column 1 and Column 2 below.

#### Column 1

far  
cart  
stars  
farmed  
part  
hearty

#### Column 2

for/four  
court  
stores  
formed  
port  
haughty

### Activity 2

Listen to your teacher saying one of the words from Activity 1. Say if you think the word is in Column 1 or Column 2.

### Activity 3

Listen to your teacher saying two words from Activity 1. If the words are the same, circle S below. If you think the words are different, circle D below.

1. S D      2. S D      3. S D      4. S D      5. S D  
6. S D      7. S D      8. S D      9. S D      10. S D

### Activity 4

Listen to your teacher reading the sentences below. Circle the word you hear.

1. He can't get far/four today.
2. He sat in the cart/court all morning.
3. There were lots of stars/stores.
4. The land was farmed/formed a long time ago.
5. Unfortunately, the part/port was very small.
6. He was a hearty/haughty man.

### Activity 5

Imagine you are the teacher now! Work with a partner and repeat the activities above. Then swap roles.