

# That sounds good to me!

chair  
pear  
hair  
rear

four  
now  
door  
law

knee  
pea  
sky  
team

but  
rough  
bought  
shut

bear  
near  
beer  
here

flower  
snow  
cow  
power

caught  
port  
short  
lunch

turn  
born  
further  
learn

hit  
split  
light  
critic

where  
dear  
stair  
share

low  
now  
cow  
house

boy  
oil  
toy  
dog

word  
tone  
turn  
learn

food  
boot  
group  
slow

stone  
hot  
gone  
shone

height  
night  
weight  
mine

pure  
cure  
tourist  
shower

any  
set  
neat  
egg

watch  
match  
cat  
matter

good  
mood  
could  
would

prawn  
shore  
noun  
four

fear  
clean  
clear  
appear

below  
grown  
toe  
crown

verb  
hair  
stir  
shirt

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# Teachers' Notes

**AIM** To practise vowel sounds, pronunciation and explaining skills.  
Secondary aims may also be: vocabulary development and

**LEVEL** Pre-intermediate, Intermediate

**TIME** 50 minutes

- PROCEDURE**
- Put the four words in the first box on the board, and ask the students to tell you what is the difference between the words – can they identify the one which is different from the other three (with lower levels you may need to give considerable help with this - this help may include the use of a chart of phonemes).
  - Once the idea of a vowel sound difference has been established, get the students to practise saying the words, so that it is clear from their pronunciation that one of the words is different.
  - The students work in groups to identify the 'odd man out' in the other boxes
  - Teacher checks answers at end of exercise, using the opportunity to drill pronunciation.

## FOLLOW-UP EXERCISE

- Students work in groups to brainstorm as many words as they can think of with the same vowel sound as the three words identified in each box. This works well when being run in the form of a competition.

## ANSWERS

1.	rear	13.	tone
2.	now	14.	slow
3.	sky	15.	stone
4.	bought	16.	weight
5.	bear	17.	shower
6.	snow	18.	neat
7.	lunch	19.	watch
8.	born	20.	mood
9.	light	21.	noun
10.	dear	22.	clean
11.	low	23.	crown
12.	dog	24.	hair