

Serbo-Croatian

This is a guide for you as a Serbo-Croatian speaker as you go through the Pronunciation Pro Course.

To get the most out of your membership, follow the Pronunciation Pro Course module by module and add any necessary bonus lessons.

Lessons that may be omitted from the 12-module course for Serbo-Croatian speakers include:

- Module 3: Initial, Medial, & Final /N / and /L/
- However, please still review Word Stress lesson from Module 3

COMMON ERRORS

Below you will find some common error sounds and patterns specifically for Serbo-Croatian speakers. These common errors can help you better understand your own speech patterns and areas to focus on as you improve your English pronunciation and fluency.

You might not have issues with all of these sounds. If you would like a more customized assessment of your speech, please contact us for a Full Accent Assessment from our certified American Trainers.

VOWELS

TARGET SOUNDS	COMMON ERRORS	MODULE/BONUS LESSON
/i/ (sit)	Confused with /ee/ (we)	Module 6
/a/ (hat)	Confused with /e/ (yes) or /u/ (cup)	Module 7
/u/ (cup)	Confused with /o/ (hot), or may be pronounced as the vowel in the spelling	Module 7
/ooh/ (put, book)	Confused with /oo/ (too)	Bonus Lesson - /oo/ & /ooh/
/ow/ (house)	Confused with /o/ (hot)	Bonus Lesson - /ow/

CONSONANTS

TARGET SOUNDS	COMMON ERRORS	MODULE/BONUS LESSON
/th/ (think)	Error patterns vary	Module 2 - Voiceless /th/
/TH/ (this)	Error patterns vary	Module 2 - Voiced /TH/



/r/ (rare)	Tapped, or trilled/rolled; R-vowels are often pronounced with the vowel in the spelling	Module 4 - R, R-blends, R-vowels
“ing” (ring)	Pronounced with an extra /g/ or /k/ sound (“ing-g” or “ing-k”)	Bonus Lesson – “ing”
/w/ (wet)	Confused with /v/	Bonus Lessons - /w/, /v/ & /w/
/h/ (how)	Pronounced as a harsher sound than in English (as in “Bach”), or may be pronounced as /n/ because of the Cyrillic alphabet	*** Best addressed with direct trainer feedback (see below)
/b/ (baby)	May be pronounced as /v/ (because of the Cyrillic alphabet)	*** Best addressed with direct trainer feedback (see below)
/p/ (pop)	May be pronounced as /r/ (because of the Cyrillic alphabet)	*** Best addressed with direct trainer feedback (see below)
/g/ (gag)	May be pronounced as /d/ (because of the Cyrillic alphabet)	*** Best addressed with direct trainer feedback (see below)

*** *Ways to receive direct trainer feedback include the Weekly Study Groups and the Weekly Challenge*

