

Turkish

This is a guide for you as a Turkish 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 Turkish speakers include:

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

COMMON ERRORS

In general, Turkish speakers tend to pronounce English words as they are spelled. However, this can cause issues because the pronunciation and the spelling are not always the same in English.

Below you will find some common error sounds and patterns specifically for Turkish 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 ERROR	MODULE/BONUS LESSON
/A/ (day)	Confused with /e/ (yes)	Module 5
/ee/ (we)	Confused with /i/ (sit)	Module 6
/o/ (hot)	Confused with /u/ (cup) or /O/ (go)	Module 7
/a/ (hat)	Confused with /e/ (yes)	Module 7
/u/ (cup)	Confused with /a/ (hat)	Module 7
/oo/ (too)	Confused with /ooh/ (put, book)	Bonus Lessons - /oo/ & /ooh/

CONSONANTS

- Groups of consonants may be difficult to pronounce, especially at the beginning of a word.
(Module 8 -Tricky Consonant Blends)



Target Sound	COMMON ERROR	MODULE/BONUS LESSON
/b/, /d/, /g/, /z/, /dg/	May be pronounced as their voiceless counterpart (/p/, /t/, /k/, /s/, /ch/ respectively) in final word position	Module 1 - final Voiced Consonants
/th/ (think)	Error patterns vary	Module 2- Voiceless /th/
/TH/ (this)	Error patterns vary	Module 2 - Voiced /TH/
/n/ (nine)	May be pronounced indistinctly in final word position	Module 3 - Final /n/
/r/ (rare)	Tapped or trilled/rolled may be voiceless at the end of a word; R-vowels are difficult	Module 4 - Initial /R/, R-bends, & R-vowels
“ing” (ring)	Pronounced with an extra /g/ or /k/ sounds (/ngk/ or /ngg/)	Bonus Lesson - “ing”
/m/ (mom)	May be pronounced indistinctly in final word position	***Best addressed through direct trainer feedback - see below
/v/ (very)	Confused with /w/, or may be pronounced as /f/ in final word position	Bonus Lessons - /v/, /v/ & /f/
/w/ (wet)	Confused with /v/ (very)	Bonus Lessons - /w/, /v/ & /w/

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

