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Supplementary Pronunciation Lessons (Unit 4)

PRONUNCIATION OF t AND d

The t and d between vowels or before an r are pronounced with a rapid movement of the tongue. This sound is called a flap /t/. For example:

water butter ready order

Friedd egg?

Thatt includes coconut t oil?

The t and d at the beginning of a stressed syllable or after any other consonant except r, are pronounced as /t/ and /d/ respectively. For example:

attdendant custdomer adddress

What kindd of soup?

Thatt:cdomes with bread?

Exercise 1

A. Read and practice.

fatty

waitr

tomato

lettuce

What about you?

Good idea.

Out of luck.

B. Read and practice.

pasta

candy

appetizer

salty

And to drink?

in the mood d:fr a salad

What kind of salad?

Exercise 2 Listen to the Conversation Model on page 41 of the Student's Book and repeat after the pauses.

A: Could you recommend a restaurant:for this evening?

B: Sure. What are you in the mood:d:fr?

A: I don't know. Maybe a sandwich. I'm not very hungry.

B: Actually, there's a great:place nearby. It's called:d:Tom's. Would you like directions?