

Doubled letters minimal pairs practice

Without looking below, listen to your teacher read out some English words and race to raise the “Doubled letter” card if you think that the word has -bb-, -dd-, -mm-, -nn-, -pp-, or -tt- in it. If there is no doubled letter, just keep your card down. If you are scoring, you get five points for holding the card up first, but lose a point if you raise it when there is no doubled letter.

Try to work out the pattern for when letters are doubled and aren’t doubled below. Your teacher will tell you what level or levels to look at.

How are A, I, O and U pronounced below? How would that work for E?

How do the words below end? What single letter would have the same effect at the end after a single consonant?

Ask about any words that you don’t understand, are not sure how to pronounce, etc in the section(s) that you looked at. Ones in italics are not important to understand the meaning of at that level, so there is no need to check the meaning of those.

Test each other:

- Play the same raising cards game
- Draw something to represent a word and see if your partner can write and say the word
- Say a word which can be drawn and see if your partner can draw the right thing
- Define one of the words and see if your partner can say it with the right pronunciation
- Pronounce and define a word and see if your partner can pronounce and define the other one on the same line

Cards to hold up

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<p>Elementary and Pre-Intermediate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. cutter <i>cuter</i> 2. dinner <i>diner</i> 3. sitting <i>siting</i> 4. slimming <i>sliming</i> 5. hopping <i>hoping</i> 6. stripped <i>striped</i> 7. supper <i>super</i> 8. winning <i>wining</i> 	<p>Intermediate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. batting <i>bating</i> 10. bitter <i>biter</i> 11. knotting <i>noting</i> 12. latter <i>later</i> 13. mopping <i>moping</i> 14. robbing <i>robing</i> 15. scrapping <i>scraping</i> 16. sitting <i>siting</i> 17. slimming <i>sliming</i> 18. spitting <i>spiting</i>
<p>Upper-Intermediate</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19. bidding <i>biding</i> 20. finned <i>fined</i> 21. gripping <i>griping</i> 22. hatter <i>hater</i> 23. pinning <i>pining</i> 24. ridding <i>riding</i> 25. robbing <i>robing</i> 26. scattng <i>skating</i> 27. tapping <i>taping</i> 28. whipping <i>wiping</i> 29. winning <i>wining</i> 	<p>Advanced</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 30. batting <i>bating</i> 31. bidding <i>biding</i> 32. canning <i>caning</i> 33. dotting <i>doting</i> 34. gripping <i>griping</i> 35. kitting <i>kiting</i> 36. lopping <i>loping</i> 37. mopping <i>moping</i> 38. panned <i>paned</i> 39. pinning <i>pining</i> 40. ratting <i>rating</i> 41. ripper <i>riper</i> 42. shinning <i>shining</i> 43. slatted <i>slated</i> 44. slopping <i>sloping</i> 45. snipping <i>sniping</i> 46. spitting <i>spiting</i> 47. totting <i>toting</i> 48. winning <i>whining</i>

Card to hold up

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