

Teacher training worksheets- Pronunciation peer correction

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- 1. "I had to pay 5 bugs for a Starbucks coffee in Seattle" (bucks)
- 2. "I don't have to worry about rash hour because I finish work so late every day!" (rush)
- 3. "I had a hangover, but I drank three bulack coffees and now I feel much better" (black)
- 4. "We had to go into the playground in the rain because some set off the fire ararm" (alarm)
- 5. "I always take bitamin C tablets when I have a cold" (vitamin)
- 6. "I don't wand a cup of tea! Why can't I have a beer?" (want)
- 7. "When I was a teenager you didn't have to wear a helmetu when you rode a motorbike" (helmet)
- 8. "I prefer selp-service restaurants because I hate having to split the bill or argue about who pays"
- 9. "I won't a pint of beer and a packet of crisps, please" (want)
- 10. "There weren't any double rooms so we had to take two shingles" (singles)
- 11. "I went on a zet ski once, but it was too noisy. I prefer sailing" (jet ski)
- 12. "Although they are mainly oil tankers, I think the sheeps in Pusan harbour make the scene more beautiful" (ships)
- 13. "I watched a pideo with my brother last night" (video)

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- a) "Now I've bought a bedside lump, my new house finally feels like home" (lamp)
- b) "My stomach hurts because I ate too many pananas" (bananas)
- c) "The burakes didn't work, so the car drove off of the road and into the river" (brakes)
- d) "I wanted to go swimming in the liver, but it was too cold" (river)
- e) "I usually have tost with butter and marmalade for breakfast" (toast)
- f) "We wanted to take the train to Pusan, but there weren't any sheets left" (seats)
- g) "I put my back on my back and continued my hike" (bag)
- h) "I used to enjoy going to the Jew when I was younger, but now I think it is cruel for the animals" (zoo)
- i) "When I was studying in English I ate chips everyday because they were the so chip" (cheap)
- j) "The government has decided to van smoking in public places" (ban)
- k) "I think Andy Murray is the best British dennis player ever" (tennis)
- 1) "My father caught a fishy when he went to the seaside last weekend" (fish)
- m) "I always offer foreign guests a knife and pork, but it seems everyone can use chopsticks nowadays" (fork)

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What could you say or do to help them improve?