

# The P Sound

## How to make the sound

<b>Lips/Mouth</b>	Lips are squeezed together then opened. At the end of a word the lips close so not to “explode” the sound.
<b>Tongue</b>	Neutral
<b>Airflow</b>	Stops
<b>Voice</b>	Off

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### How the sound is spelled:

p: pick, tap  
pp: happy

### Common errors:

Instead of ‘p’ some say:

ta\_ for tap

### Words that I often use with a ‘p’ sound:

## **P Practice** *(CD Tracks 1-4)*

<b>Beginning of word</b>	<b>Middle of word</b>	<b>End of word</b>
person	appear	cheap
past	open	keep
peer	depend	top
put	happy	cope
pay	report	drop
package	upon	stop
panic	apartment	soap
paper	apparent	swipe
painful	appointment	gossip
partner	opposite	pop-up
Pacific	episode	backup
paragraph	peppermint	escape
paralyzed	reporter	ketchup
penalty	boarding pass	envelope
publicly	property	leadership
penicillin	operator	develop
particular	appetizer	coffee cup
pathology	capacity	microscope
perfectionist	epidemic	companionship
personalized	disposable	citizenship

### **Sound in sentences**

Please pay particular attention to the partner's posting.

Open the packet to the appropriate operating report.

The publicity about the project was positive.

The championship game paralyzed the city.

Pass the ketchup please.

Patrick is a perfectionist when it comes to keeping his desktop perfect.

Disposable pens are preferred at P and B Incorporated.

Apparently, Paula is a gossip.

Depending on the property, the tax payments may be cheap.

The reporter placed the papers in a sealed envelope marked private.