

# Pronunciation



## Minimal Pairs /g/ /k/ words like BAG and BACK

### Activity 1

Listen to your teacher saying the words in Column 1 and Column 2 below.

#### Column 1

bag  
log  
wig  
snag  
girls  
grime  
grease  
gold  
anger  
stag  
guards

#### Column 2

back  
lock  
wick  
snack  
curls  
crime  
crease  
cold  
anchor  
stack  
cards

### Activity 2

Listen to your teacher saying one of the words from Activity 1. Say if you think the word is in Column 1 or Column 2.

### Activity 3

Listen to your teacher saying two words from Activity 1. If the words are the same, circle S below. If you think the words are different, circle D below.

1. S D      2. S D      3. S D      4. S D      5. S D  
6. S D      7. S D      8. S D      9. S D      10. S D

### Activity 4

Listen to your teacher reading the sentences below. Circle the word you hear.

1. Give me that bag/back!
2. The logs/locks are enormous.
3. The wig/wick was too short.
4. There weren't any snags/snacks.
5. The girls/curls were blonde.
6. Have you ever seen such a big stag/stack?
7. Be careful! Don't grease/crease it.
8. This dish is all gold/cold!
9. His anger/anchor certainly didn't help.
10. The guards/cards arrived too late.
11. The city is full of grime/crime.

### Activity 5

Imagine you are the teacher now! Work with a partner and repeat the activities above. Then swap roles.