

Answers for /ɑ:/ and /eə/ Exercises

1. Moving up, down, left or right, find the words with the /eə/ sounds. Then listen to the MP3 (4a) and practice saying the words.

start →	Square	Mouse	Fine	Car	Blue	Sea	Money	There	Bare	→ finish
	Care	Everywhere	Chair	Scary	Mars	Town	Energy	Mary	Close	
	Hat	Part	Mark	Stare	Moon	Face	Share	Fair	Nine	
	Under	Present	English	Careful	Downstairs	Pair	Hair	Fishing	Stay	
	Phone	Ten	Come	Stars	Sound	Joyful	London	Tissue	Water	

2. Write the correct number above the words in blue. Does the word contain the sound 1 /ɑ:/ or 2 /eə/? Listen to the MP3 (4b) and write which sound you hear. Underline the part of the word with this sound.

New York is a ¹marvellous city, full of huge buildings. The most famous building is probably the Empire State Building, which rises ¹far into the ^{2 2}air. ²There are also many famous restaurants in New York, and it is the scene of hundreds of Hollywood movies. New York is a truly must-visit city. ²Wherever you ¹are in New York, ²there's something to ²stare at!



3. Listen to the MP3 (4c) and circle which word you hear.

- a) shard shared
- b) card cared
- c) far fair
- d) tar tear
- e) char chair

4. Record yourself saying the words in section 1 and 3, and the passage in section 2. Listen to your recording again in a few days. Can you clearly hear the two target sounds you studied?

