

American Rs Practice Sheet

The first time you do this practice sheet, run through all the exercises. Take note of the words/phrases that are most challenging. These are what you should focus on when practicing. Feel free to add to your practice any other words with 'R' that you have had trouble with. I recommend practicing the 'R' sound for about 5 minutes per day if this is a challenging sound for you!

Strong R Word Practice

Red	Really	Realize	Around
Run	React	Report	Credit
Bread	Sorry	Country	Cry

Soft R Word Practice

Car	Care	Fear	Tour
Party	Air	Here	Short
Cards	Fair	Beer	Boring

/ɜ:/ as in 'Stir' Word Practice

Stir	Work	River	Surprise
Bird	World	Farmer	Surname
Heard	Worse	Service	Turn

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Strong R Sentences

I **wrote** the **response** for the **readers**.

My **primary** **reason** for **renting** the **room** was because I can **run** to work.

I'm **ready** to **present** my **research**.

Soft R Sentences

The **party** on the **farm** was **boring**.

It's **clearly** **there** in the **chair** with the **guitar**.

Let's have a **beer** and play **cards**.

'Stir' R Sentences

Could you please **stir** the food?

His **world** was his **work**. It was the **worst**.

The **farmer** **heard** a lot of **birds** by the **river**.

Challenge Tongue Twisters

'Round and 'round the rugged rocks the ragged rascal ran.

Rory the warrior and Roger the worrier were reared wrongly in a rural brewery.

Robbie rarely shared his gear.

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Challenge time!

To keep practicing your speech analysis skills:

- Choose a paragraph from something that you read often. This could be the newspaper, a type of book you often read, or work materials that you use in English.
- Mark all the R sounds. Identify if what is being used is the strong R, the soft R, or the 'stir' R. Use the google pronunciation tool if you aren't sure of the pronunciation.
- Record yourself reading it out loud
- Save this recording and then repeat the exercise in 2 weeks to measure your progress!

Good luck!