

PRESENTATION 5:

Pronunciation

RP vowel inventory differs significantly from Standard Malay (SM) vowel inventory. While RP contains 20 distinctive vowels (12 relatively pure vowels and 8 diphthongal glides), SM contains only 9 distinctive vowels (6 pure vowels and 3 diphthongs).

Table 1:

- LONG AND SHORT RP VOWELS

bean /i:/	/ɪ/ bin
pool /u:/	/ʊ/ pull
/ɔ:/ caught	/ɒ/ cot
/ɜ:/ <i>word</i>	/ə / <i>forward</i>

Table 2:

- **REALIZATION OF /i:/ AND /ɪ/**

RP	ME
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[i:]	
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}	
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[i]	
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[ɪ]	
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Table 3:

- **TABLE 3: REALIZATION OF /u:/ AND**

/u /

RP

ME

[u:]

}

[u]

[u]

Table 4:

- **TABLE 4: REALIZATION OF [e] AND**

[æ]

RP

ME

[e]

}

[e]

[æ]

Table 5:

- **TABLE 5: REALIZATION OF [o] AND**

[:]

RP

ME

[o]

}

[o]

[:]

Table 6:

REALIZATION OF [^] AND [a:]

RP

ME

[^]

}

[a]

[a:]

Table 7:

REALIZATION OF [ə] AND [ɜ :]

RP

ME

[ə]

}

[ə]

[ɜ :]

Table 8:

Realization of /e/

RP

ME

[e]

[ei]

Table 9:

REALIZATIONS OF [ə]

RP	ME
[ə]	[a]
[ə]	[e]
[ə]	[o]
[ə]	[ei]

Table 10:

SHIFT FROM ANTEPENULTIMATE TO PENULTIMATE

RP

/kæmərər/

/'mənɪdʒə/

/'meɪntənəns/

ME

/kə'merə/

/mə'neɪdʒə/

/men'teɪnəns/

Table 11:

SHIFT FROM PENULTIMATE TO ANTEPENULTIMATE

RP

ME

/dɪ'velɒp/

/'dev ələp/

/spə 'geti/

/'speɡəti/

/əb'zɜ:v/

/'ɒbzəv/

Table 12:

- **FINAL PROMINENT SYLLABLES**

RP

ME

/kə `rekt/

/ko'rek/

/pə'li:s/

/po'lis/

END OF PRESENTATION