



# Three Wise Kangaroos



## One English, many ways

### Lead-in

1. Do you have a preference for either a British or an American accent? Do you find one easier to understand than the other?
2. What are some points of difference between British and American English?
3. Which accent are people in your country mostly exposed to (through television, internet, etc.) ?
4. Is achieving near-native pronunciation one of your language objectives?



### Video

Watch a short video featuring a British comedian Michael McIntyre making fun of American equivalents of some British words. Write the words in the table.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5wSw3IWRJa0>

British English	American English

### Over to you

1. Did you find the sketch amusing? Were you aware of those differences between British and American vocabulary?
2. Do you prefer British or American comedy? How do British and American sense of humour differ?
3. While learning English, it is important to stay consistent so put on your best British or American accent and adjust your vocabulary accordingly to speak for two minutes about each of the following topics:
  - the American president
  - British football clubs
  - the sitcom Friends
  - the British Royal Family
  - McDonald's
  - Spice Girls
  - New York
  - tea
  - American policemen as portrayed in films
  - Mr Bean
  - the Beatles
  - hot dogs