

Say it Clearly!

Are you ever misunderstood by your colleagues or clients?
Do you find it difficult to pronounce certain words? Would
you like to speak more clearly and fluently?

This workshop looks at all aspects of Standard English pronunciation, with a particular focus on problem areas for Singaporean speakers. You will take part in a variety of pronunciation activities, such as using the British Council's interactive phonemic chart and analysing recordings of your voice.



Outcomes

After taking this workshop, you should be better able to:

- know the standard pronunciation of commonly mispronounced words
- speak with improved clarity and fluency
- be more easily understood by others

This workshop is for you if...

You would like to speak more clearly and be easily understood by others.

Say it Clearly! – Course outline

Module	Module content
Pronunciation and you	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Words at work• Introducing the phonemic chart• Spelling and speaking
Vowel sounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Short and long vowel sounds• Problem sounds for Singaporeans• Producing diphthongs (double vowels)
Consonants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Voiced and unvoiced consonants• Consonant clusters• Past tense -ed endings
Stress	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Syllables and word stress• Weak sounds: un-stressed syllables• Using sentence stress
Pace, pausing and intonation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effective pacing and pausing• Using intonation to create interest• Intonation, stress and meaning
Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Relaxing and projecting your voice• Developing clearer speech• Giving your final talk