

# I'D LIKE TO BUY A VOWEL

## VOWELS:

- Carry the sound
- Must be uniformly produced
- Pronounced according to American English (in BBS)

## TARGET VOWELS:

A (hat, cad)	AH (hot, odd)	AW (law, fall)
EE (we, key)	EH (let, pen)	IH (sit, is)
UH (dove, hut)	UR (girl, urge)	OO (moon, coo)
OH (no, go)	ʊ (look, could)	

## TARGET VOWEL REPLACEMENTS:

ADD	ODD	AWED
EED	ED	ID
UGH	URGE	OOD
OHD	ʊ D	

## DIPHTHONGS:

- Combination of two vowel sounds
- Aim for target vowel
- Sing secondary vowel in the same singing space as the primary vowel
- Word sounds must be turned together
- May be used to add artistry

## DIPHTHONGS:

AY = EH-ee (late, say)	I = AH-ee (high, my)
OH = OH-oo (go, boat)	OW = AH-oo (now, out)
OY = OH-ee (joy, point)	U = ee-OO (mute, few)

## **Special circumstances:**

- W = oo + next vowel (why, what, wet)
- Y = ee + next vowel (yes, yam, you, unity)

## VOWEL MATCHING:

we sit let late hat high spot love  
girl moon mute look go law joy now

## I STOLE THE GOLD FROM YOUR HAIR

TENOR: Ah-----eeStol-----theGol—I—IldFro----mYou-----rHai-----r  
LEAD: Ah-----eeSto-----l-theGo-----ldFro----mYou-----rHai-----r  
BARITONE: Ah—ee----Sto-----l-theGo-----ldFro-m---You-----rHai-----r  
BASS: Ah-----eeSto-----l-theGo-----ldFro----mYou—r---Hai-r-r-r—r

## CONSONANTS:

- Must be articulated enough to understand the lyrics, but not to the degree that tone flow is interrupted
- Can be used to convey the emotion
- Can add style, artistry, meaning to a performance

## SINGABLE CONSONANTS:

- M N NG R L V TH Z ZH
- Should not interfere with the target vowel
- Sing with same intensity of target vowel
- Add artistry at the END of words
- Help with word clarity
- May convey emotion
- May be used to add artistry

## “R” AFFECTED VOWELS:

- Stay true to the target vowel
- Keep singing space in the target vowel space
- Don't migrate to the “r” too soon
- Examples:
  - Near, heart, care

## ***WE RING CHORDS ON VOWELS!!***