

## Stranger than vowels

**1) Transcribe the following passage. Then, check your transcription with the key on your booklet.**

This is a story of a man named Harold Crick and his wristwatch.  
Harold Crick was a man of infinite numbers, endless calculations and remarkably few words. And his wristwatch said even less.

### 2) Dictation

Listen to your teacher and take down the dictation

**3) Go through the following passage and add words to the following groups according to the vowel sound.**

Every weekday, for 12 years Harold would run at a rate of nearly fifty 57 steps per block for six blocks, barely catching the 8:17 Kronecker bus. His wristwatch would delight in the feeling of the crisp wind rushing over its face.

And every weekday, for 12 years. Harold would review 7.134 tax files as a senior agent for the Internal Revenue Service.

/ʌ/	/æ/
brʌʃ	hærəld
ʌp	kælkjuleɪʃənz
dʌbl	

/i:/	/ɪ/
i:vən	krɪk
ti:θ	ɪnfɪnɪt
wɪ:k	sɪks

/ɜ:/	/e/	/ə/
wɜ:dz	sekəndz	nʌmbəz
θɜ:ti	ɪnstəd	wɪndzə

/ɒ/	/ɔ:/
rɪstwɒtʃ	θɔ:t
nɒt	fɔ:ti

4) Watch and listen to the following scene and transcribe what the narrator says (up to 1:45)

5) This is the last part of the same scene. Listen and complete with the missing vowel sound.

/ hærəld r...n fə ðə bʌs / hɪz st...f l...ðə ʃ...z meɪkɪŋ ə terəbl skw...kɪŋ  
saʊnd əz ðeɪ flekst əɡenst ði ...sfælt / ən ðəʊ ðɪs wəz ən ɪkstr...dənri deɪ | ə  
deɪ tə bi rɪm...mbəd fə ðə rest əv hærəldz laɪf | hærəld dʒ...st θɔ:t ɪt wəz ə  
wenzdeɪ /