

# AUSTRALIAN ACCENT



- There are **3 types** of Australian accents, which are **determined by class**, more than by geography.
  - **General**  
(the most common accent)
  - **Broad („ocker“ accent)**  
(working-class)
  - **Cultivated**  
(prestigious, almost RP, very few actual speaker)



# SPECIFICS OF THE ACCENT

- a **non-rhotic accent** (/r/ at the end of words only when linking)
- Cultivated accent – all **/t/** sounds pronounced
  - in most other accents **deleted** (end of words) or **flapped** (/t/ - /ɾ/)
- pronounced /j/ sound (**no „yod-dropping“**, e.g., *Tuesday*)
- **broad vowels** and **pronounced diphthons**
- dropping **/g/** at the end of –ing (/–ɪŋ/ - /ɪn/)
- more **nasal**

# RECORDING

- The /t/ sound, when it comes between two vowels in a word, sounds like a /d/.
  - You'd feel be**tt**er if you drank more.
- The jaw is more open for the /a/ sound or schwa /ə/ when a word ends in these vowel sounds.
  - You should see a doct**or** and maybe spend some time in the nat**ure**.
  - My mother got a lett**er** from her neighb**our**.
- The 'oh' sound is more open and wider than the British and American dialects.
  - No one go**es** there, I th**ough**t.



# TECHNIQUE CRITIQUE

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# VIDEO



- the „**price vowel**“ /ɪ / (e.g. in *like* x *name*) is very wide (10:54)
- the „**goat diphthong**“ /oʊ/ (e.g. in *don't*, *calzone*) – **pharyngeal squeeze** (11:43)
- non-rhotic (12:12)
- „**goose fronting**“ – the /u/ sound is made with the tongue more forward in the mouth (e.g. in *do*) (13:30)

- Antipodese accent (New Zealand/Aotearoa)
  - /neɪm/ X /naɪm/ (12:45)
  - „**high rising terminal**“ – question intonation (12:55)



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