



# SCOTTISH ACCENT MADE SIMPLE(R)

AJL22066, EE Varieties  
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- shortening of vowels
- vowel shift
- monophthongization
- rhoticity
- Dark Ls
- aspiration of /p/t/k/w/
- glottal stop /ʔ/
- /x/ sound (loch ness)

## What are we focusing on?

*/i:/, /aɪ/ /ə/, /əʊ/,  
/ʌ/, and /u:/*

Wee, dannae, naw,  
haggis

vowels

consonants

slang

*/ʔ/, /r/, /pʰ/, /tʰ/, /kʰ/, /ʀ/*

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EXPLICIT CONTENT**



# VOWELS

## (IPA)

I: READ	ɪ SIT	ʊ BOOK	u: TOO	ɪə HERE	eɪ DAY	Teacher:	
e MEN	ə AMERICA	ɜ: WORD	ɔ: SORT	ʊə TOUR	ɔɪ BOY	əʊ GO	
æ CAT	ʌ BUT	ɑ: PART	ɒ NOT	eə WEAR	aɪ MY	aʊ HOW	
p PIG	b BED	t TIME	d DO	tʃ CHURCH	dʒ JUDGE	k KILO	g GO
f FIVE	v VERY	θ THINK	ð THE	s SIX	z ZOO	ʃ SHORT	ʒ CASUAL
m MILK	n NO	ŋ SING	h HELLO	l LIVE	r READ	w WINDOW	j YES

# VOWELS /i/, /ai/ and /ə/

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/i/ is closer to /e/ and /ə/  
 - Sick -) /sɪk/  
 - Right -) /reit/  
 - It - /ɪt/  
 /ə/ turns into a clearer /e/  
 -from -) /frem/  
 /ai/ is morphed into /ei/  
 -kind -) /keind/  
 My -) /mei/





sick

right



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it

like

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# VOWELS /əʊ/, /ei/ /ʌ/, and /u:/

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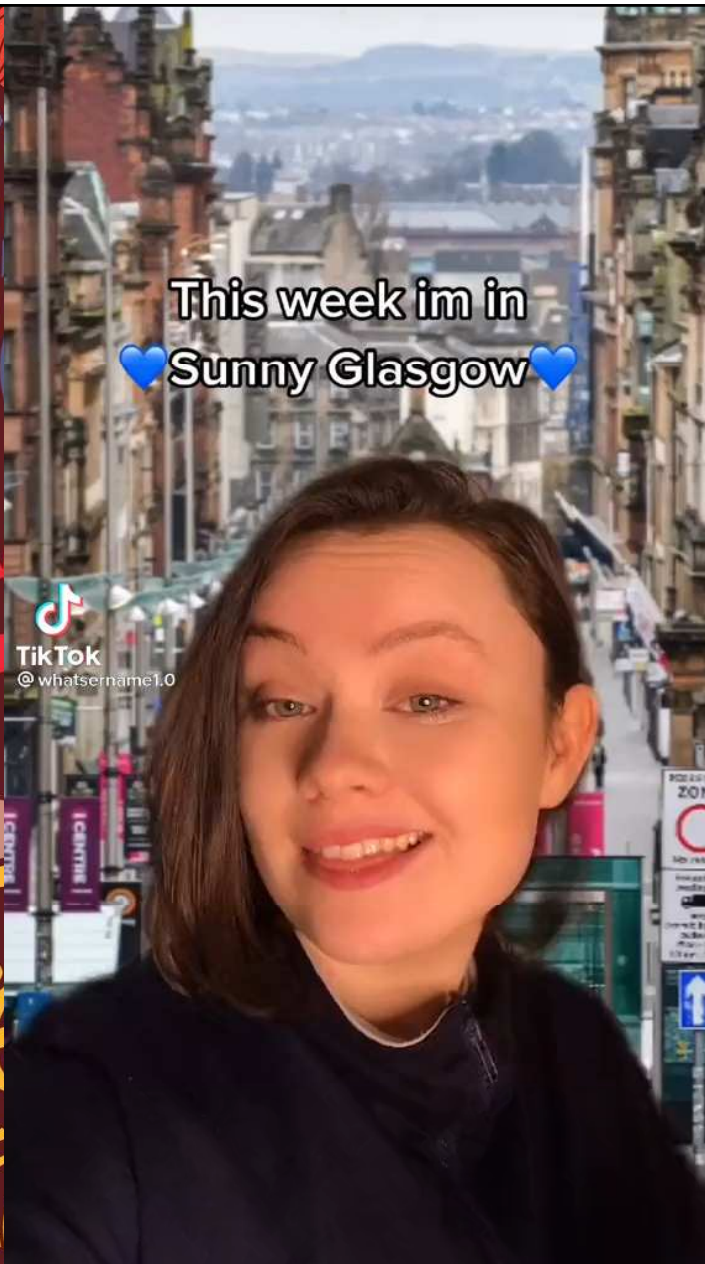
Diphthong usually smoothed e.g. /ei/ into /e/  
Way -) /weɪ/  
/əʊ/ is shortened into a /ɔ:/ and /ɒ/  
-Glasgow -) /glɑ:zɡɔ:/  
/ʌ/ turns into /ɒ/  
-Fuck - /fɒk/  
/u:/ is also shortened into a /ʊ/  
-You - /ju/ (ye)  
-Who - /wu/ (whe)  
*Good* and *food* have the same sound





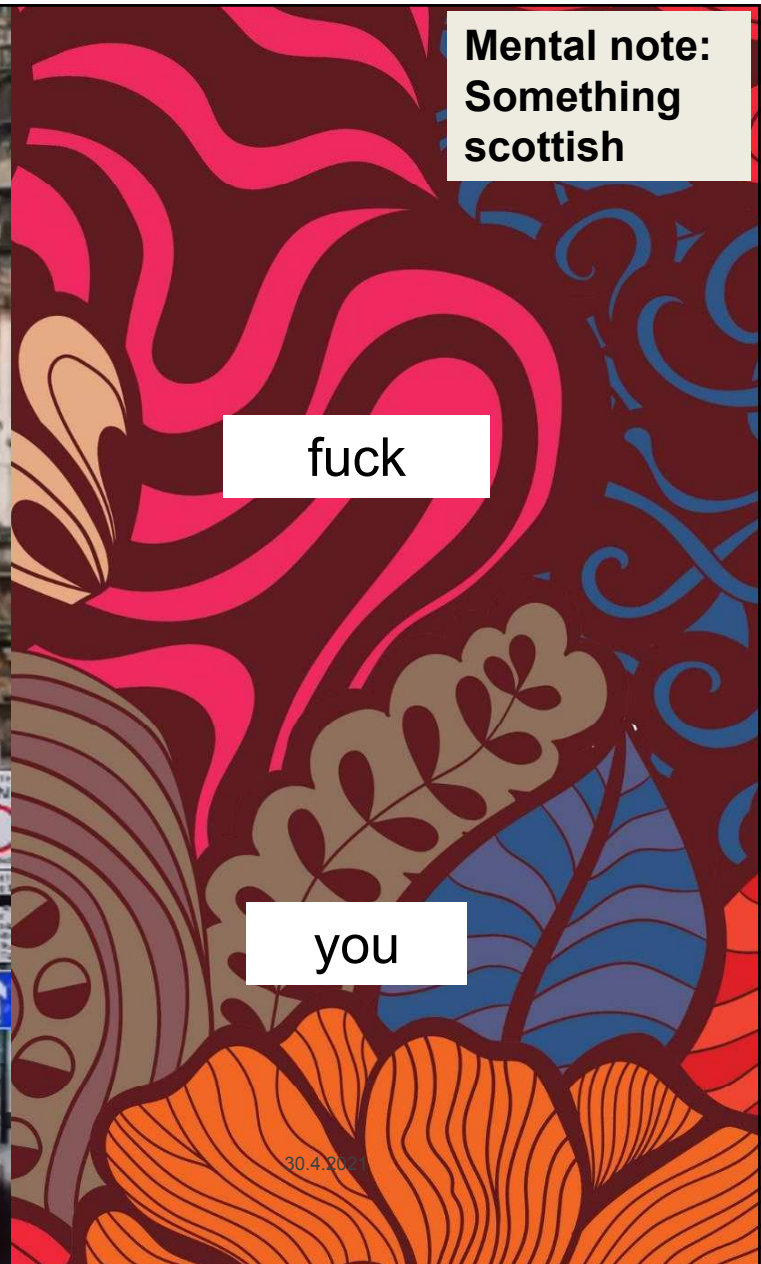
cut

pedo



This week im in  
💙 Sunny Glasgow 💙

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Mental note:  
Something  
scottish

fuck

you

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# CONSONANTS

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the glottal stop is used in regional variants

- Scottish -) /skɒʔɪʃ/
- shut up -) /ʃʌʔɒp/
- Plunk it -) /plɛŋk et/

/p/t/k/ are often aspirated

- timetable -) /tɪmeɪtəbeɪl/

/w/ is preceded by /h/ sound

- what -) /hwat/





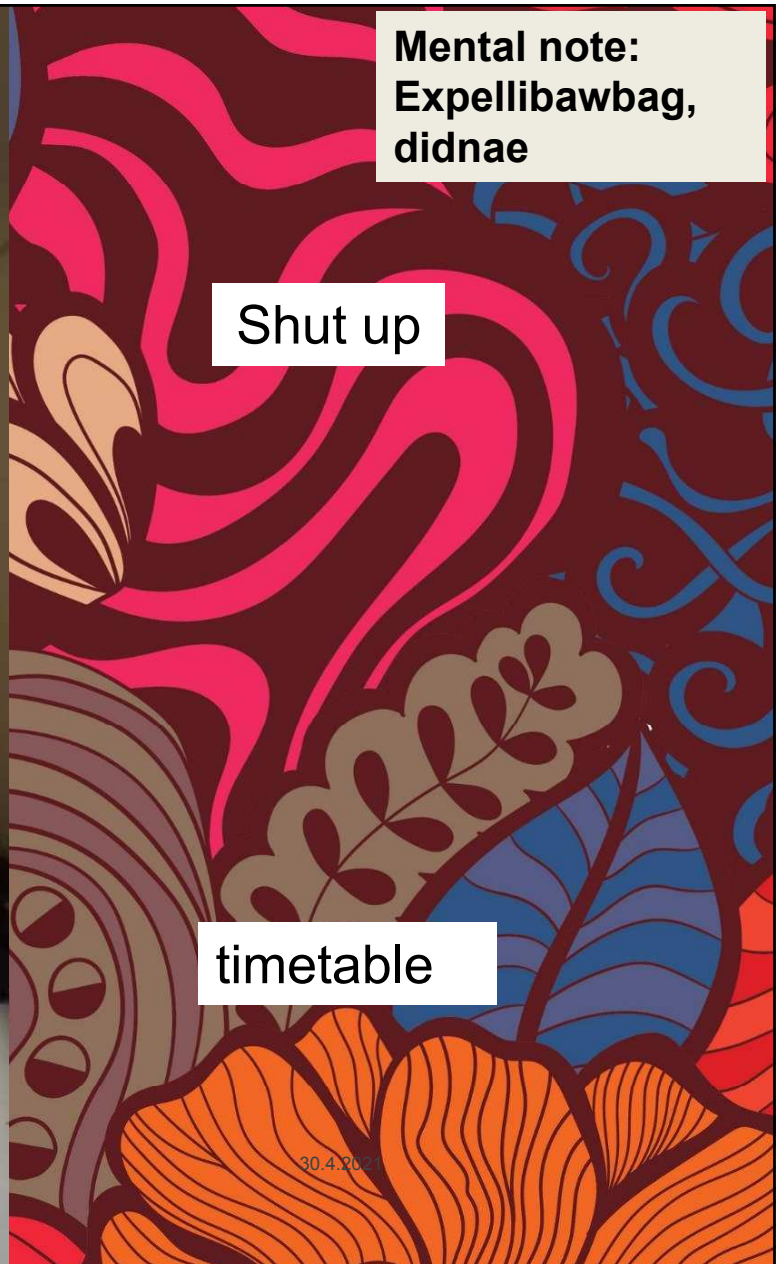
Plunk it

I'm a what?



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So i finaly took the test  
that tells you what  
house you're in, in  
hogwarts



Mental note:  
Expellibawbag,  
didnae

Shut up

timetable

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# CONSONANTS

## dark L and rhotic R

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In some variants, the L is darker (merida - highlands)  
 -girl -) /'ge,rəl/(two syllables)  
 World -) /'wʌ,rəld/  
 -/r/ is rhotic usually tapped r  
 /r/ not alveolar trill  
 -Alexander is – linking R trill  
 /æɪgzɑ:ndərez/  
 -/fri:k/, /θri:/, /merəda/,  
 /breid/....



freak

Merida

three

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So people want hamilton  
content but they also  
want merida content

world

Alexander  
is...

girl

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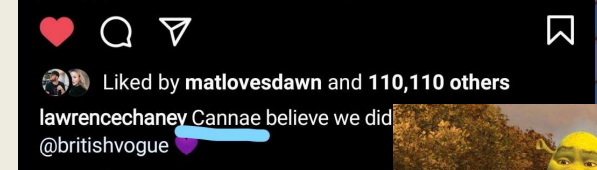


# SLANG – SCOTTICISMS



Profanities and swear words as a regular part of speech

- Negative expressed with suffix –ny/nay/nae (havenae, danney, cannae)
- NO is on the cusp of being a different pronunciation and slang word NAW
- Aye means yes
- Diminutive WEE –little, small
- Irn bru – type of drink
- Bawbag – scroonum (expellibawbag)
- Haggis (explained in the video:))





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So me and my little  
sister were just on a live  
right now and people  
kept asking me



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