

Practice for Vowels (2)

# Compound Vowels 1

ai ei ao ou

bā bǎi biāobīng  
白菜和海带

R041

Practice: ai

Mǎi bái cài,      dā hǎi dài,  
买白菜,      <sup>(1)</sup>搭海带,  
bù mǎi hǎi dài jiù bié mǎi dà bái cài.  
不买海带就别买大白菜。

Mǎi mài gǎi,      bù dā mài,  
<sup>(2)</sup>买卖改,      不搭卖,  
bù mǎi hǎi dài yě néng mǎi dào dà bái cài.  
不买海带也能买到大白菜。

English

Buy cabbage, together with kelp,  
If you don't buy kelp, then don't buy cabbage.  
Revise the deal, don't sell them together,  
If you don't buy kelp you can still buy cabbage.

(1) 搭 [dā] v.  
combine, add to

(2) 买卖 [mǎimài] n.  
business

Bèibei hé Fēifei  
贝贝和菲菲

R042

Practice: ei

Bèibei fēi zhǐ fēijī,  
贝贝飞纸飞机，

Fēifei yào Bèibei de zhǐ fēijī,  
菲菲要贝贝的纸飞机，

Bèibei bù gěi Fēifei zìjǐ de zhǐ fēijī,  
贝贝不给菲菲自己的纸飞机，

Bèibei jiāo Fēifei zìjǐ zuò néng fēi de zhǐ fēijī。  
贝贝教菲菲自己做能飞的纸飞机。

English

Beibei flies a paper airplane,

Feifei wants Beibei's paper airplane,

Beibei doesn't give Feifei his paper airplane,

Beibei teaches Feifei how to make his own flyable paper airplane.

Máomao hé Tāotao  
毛毛和涛涛

R043

Practice: ao

Máomao hé Tāotao,  
毛毛和涛涛,  
tiàogāo yòu sàipǎo,  
跳高又赛跑,

Máomao tiào bu guò Tāotao,  
毛毛跳不<sup>(1)</sup>过涛涛,  
Tāotao pǎo bu guò Máomao.  
涛涛跑不过毛毛。

Máomao qǐ de zǎo, jiāo Tāotao liàn pǎo,  
毛毛起得早, 教涛涛练跑,  
Tāotao qǐ de zǎo, jiāo Máomao tiàogāo.  
涛涛起得早, 教毛毛跳高。

Máomao xué huì le tiàogāo,  
毛毛学会了跳高,  
Tāotao xué huì le sàipǎo.  
涛涛学会了赛跑。

English

Maomao and Taotao,  
Do high jump and foot race,  
Maomao can't outjump Taotao,  
Taotao can't outrun Maomao.  
Maomao gets up early, teaches Taotao how to train at running,  
Taotao gets up early, teaches Maomao how to jump high.  
Maomao mastered the high jump,  
Taotao mastered the foot race.

(1) 过 [guò] v.  
surpass

Dōu zhuāng dòu

兜 装 豆

R044

Practice: ou

Dōu li zhuāng dòu,

兜 里 装 豆，

dòu zhuāng mǎn dōu,

豆 装 满 兜，

dōu pò lòu dòu.

兜 破 <sup>(1)</sup>漏 豆。

Dào chū dòu, bǔ pò dōu,

倒 出 豆， <sup>(2)</sup>补 破 兜，

bǔ hǎo dōu, yòu zhuāng dòu,

补 好 兜， 又 装 豆，

zhuāng mǎn dōu, bú lòu dòu.

装 满 兜， 不 漏 豆。

English

The inside of a pocket holds beans,

The beans completely fill the pocket,

The pocket gets torn and the beans spill out.

Pour out the beans, patch the torn pocket,

The pocket is patched, it can hold beans again

Stuffed full of beans, doesn't spill beans.

(1) 漏 [lòu] v.  
leak

(2) 补 [bǔ] v.  
repair, patch