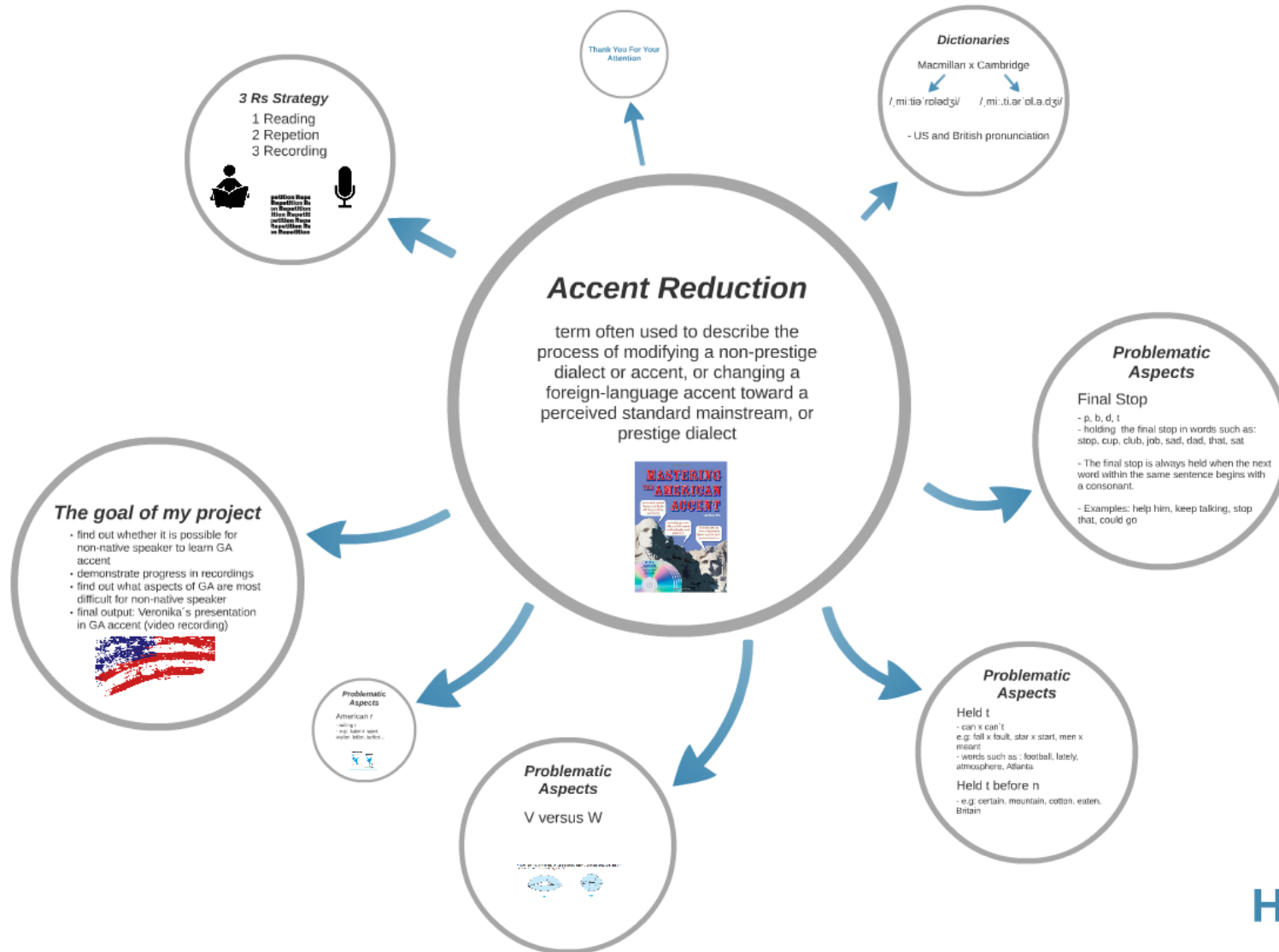
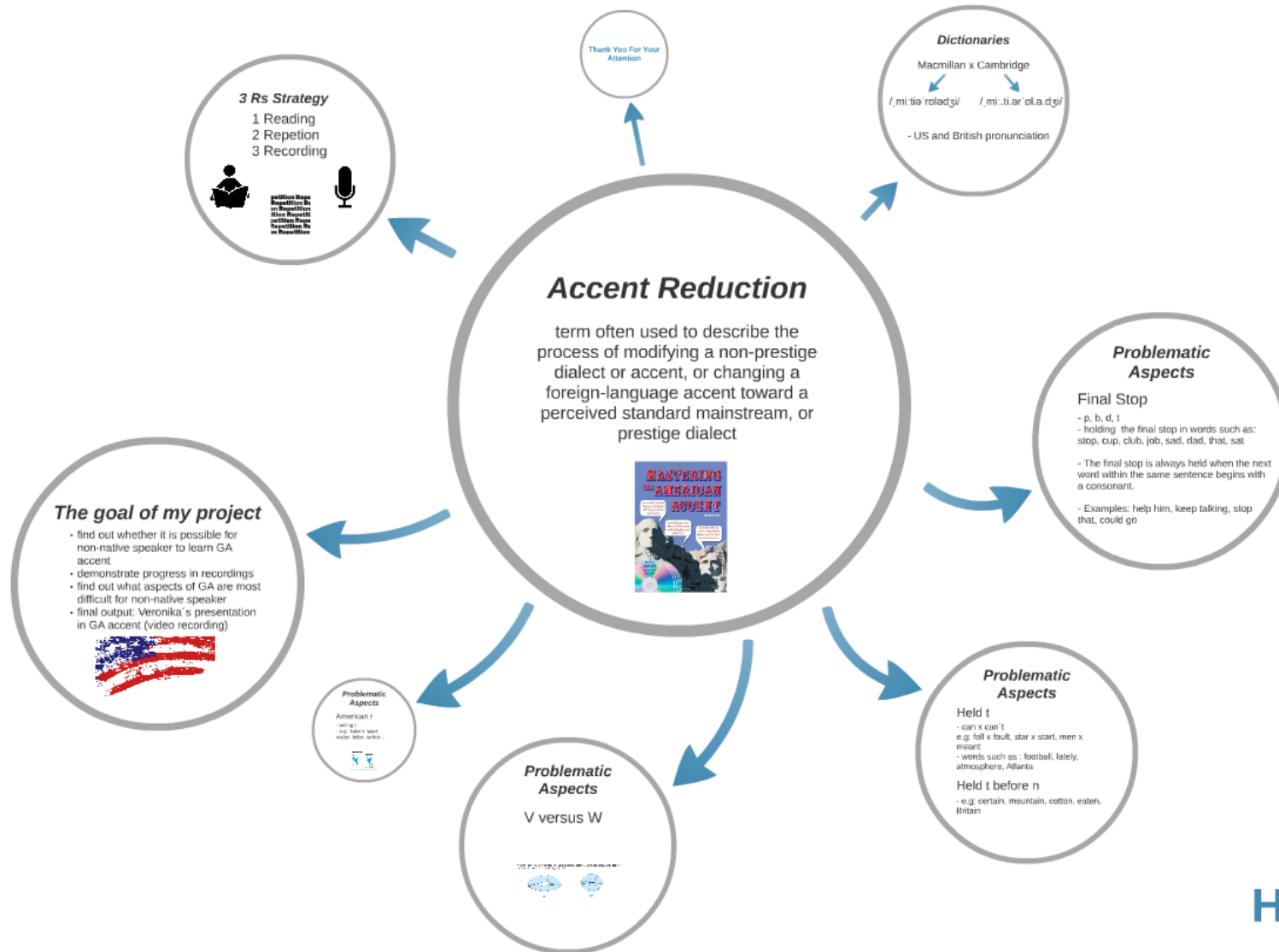


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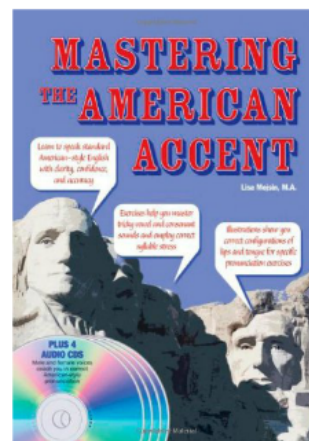


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term often used to describe the process of modifying a non-prestige dialect or accent, or changing a foreign-language accent toward a perceived standard mainstream, or prestige dialect



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The goal of my project

- find out whether it is possible for non-native speaker to learn GA accent
- demonstrate progress in recordings
- find out what aspects of GA are most difficult for non-native speaker
- final output: Veronika's presentation in GA accent (video recording)



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- rolling r
- e.g: late

3 Rs Strategy

1 Reading

2 Repetition

3 Recording



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Dictionaries

Macmillan x Cambridge



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- US and British pronunciation



Problematic Aspects

Final Stop

- p, b, d, t
- holding the final stop in words such as: stop, cup, club, job, sad, dad, that, sat
- The final stop is always held when the next word within the same sentence begins with a consonant.
- Examples: help him, keep talking, stop that, could go





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Held t

- can x can't

e.g: fall x fault, star x start, men x meant

- words such as : football, lately, atmosphere, Atlanta

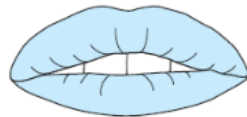
Held t before n

- e.g: certain, mountain, cotton, eaten, Britain

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V versus W

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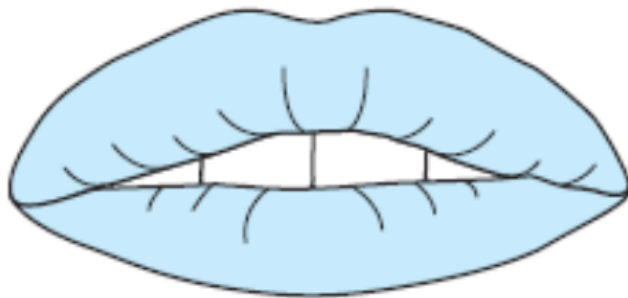


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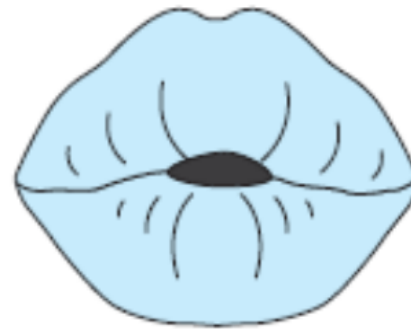


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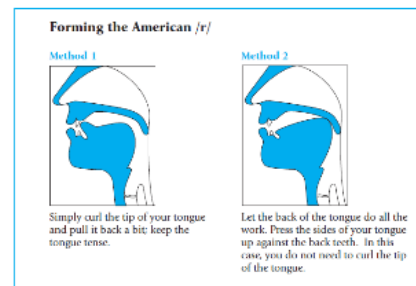


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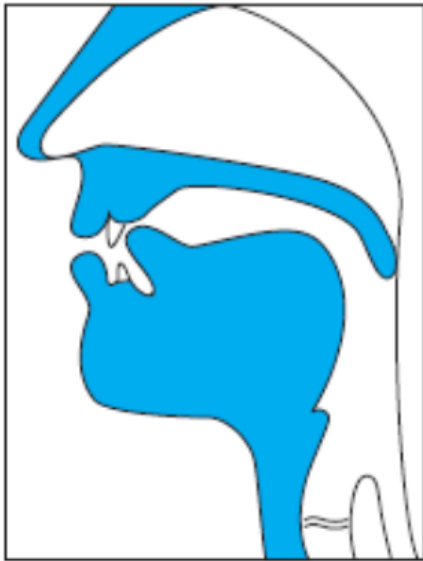
American r

- rolling r
- e.g: later x layer,
waiter, letter, better...



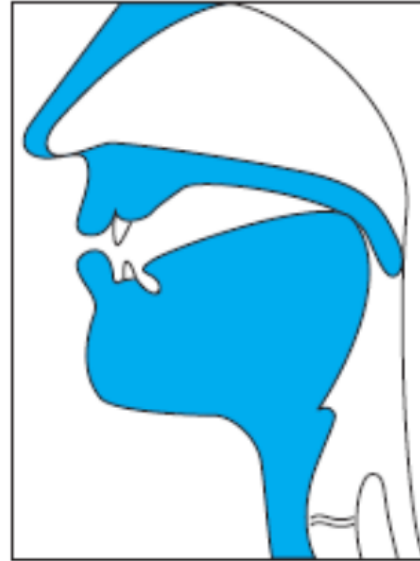
Forming the American /r/

Method 1



Simply curl the tip of your tongue and pull it back a bit; keep the tongue tense.

Method 2



Let the back of the tongue do all the work. Press the sides of your tongue up against the back teeth. In this case, you do not need to curl the tip of the tongue.



**Thank You For Your
Attention**

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