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UNIT 11

Web Site Worksheet

/ɔ/ • ball

The Sounds /ɔ/ and /ɑ/

Some people in the United States and Canada say the word *caught* with the sound /ɔ/ and *cot* with the sound /ɑ/. But many people pronounce both *caught* and *cot* the same way – with the sound /ɑ/ (as in *hot* or *father*).

 **1** Listen. The first person (from New York) uses the sound /ɔ/ in these words. The second person (from California) uses the sound /ɑ/.

1. thought
2. lost
3. awful
4. ball
5. talk

 **2** Listen. Which vowel sound do you hear this time? Check ✓ the correct column.

	/ɔ/	/ɑ/
1. thought	—	✓
2. lost	—	—
3. awful	—	—
4. ball	—	—
5. walk	—	—
6. talk	—	—

3 Listen again and check your answers to step 2.