

## Pronunciation – U and O Sounds

1. Which groceries, beverages or other purchases do you know that have an O and a U sound? Put them in the table.

long O	short O	long U	short U

2. There are two O sounds: a long closed O and a short open O. How are the O sounds written? Write one example for each.

o: →  
→  
o →  
→

3. There are two U sounds: a long closed U and a short open U. How are the U sounds written? Write one example for each.

u: →  
u →

4. Who is buying what? Say the sentences.

Example: *Simone kauft nur ein Brot. Otto kauft nur Kartoffeln.*

Simone kauft nur Sachen mit langem O:

Otto kauft nur Sachen mit kurzem O:

Ute kauft nur Sachen mit langem U:

Ulla kauft nur Sachen mit kurzem U:

## Answer

(Other words are obviously also possible.)

<b>long O</b>	<b>short O</b>	<b>long U</b>	<b>short U</b>
<i>Brot</i>	<i>Kartoffeln</i>	<i>Nudeln</i>	<i>Butter</i>
<i>Zitrone</i>	<i>Pommes</i>	<i>Kuchen</i>	<i>Fruchteis</i>
<i>Boot</i>	<i>Torte</i>	<i>Stuhl</i>	<i>Zucker</i>
<i>Bohnen</i>	<i>Socken</i>	<i>Schuhe</i>	<i>Wurst</i>

- o: → o                      *Cola*  
       → oh                     *Bohnen*  
       → oo                     *Boot*
- ɔ → o (+ double consonant)    *Kartoffeln*
- u: → u                        *Nudeln*  
       → uh                      *Stuhl*
- ʊ → u (+ double consonant)    *Butter*