SCHWA

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Relaxed, used in unstressed syllables.

**A**bout, b**a**lloon, b**a**nan**a**, probl**e**m, fam**i**ly, s**u**pport, anal**y**sis, **a**mazing, **a**gree, **a**go, **o**btain, **o**’clock, **o**rigin**a**l, un**o**rigin**a**l, **o**ccasion**a**lly, int**er**net, bett**er**, strong**er**, bigg**er**, short**er**, long**er**, fast**er**, doct**or**, fath**er**, moth**er**, broth**er**, sist**er**, sof**a**, dat**a**, …

Articles: **a**, an, th**e**

A man and a/the woman.

How many schwas?

Th**e** wom**a**n has **a** carr**o**t **a**n(d) **a** b**a**nan**a**.

**A** man w**a**s sitting **a**t home **a**lone on **a** sof**a**.

Th**e** moth**er**, th**e** broth**er**, th**e** fath**er** **a**nd th**e** sist**er** w**e**re all t**o**geth**er** in **a** shopping cent**re**.