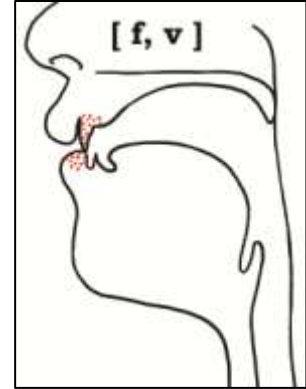


### **/v/ PRACTICE: "VIVIAN'S NEW OFFICE"**

1 I took the elevator to the seventh floor to visit Vivian. She  
2 recently moved to a newly renovated office. She loves the view of the  
3 city from her office. You can see over all the trees in Victor Valley  
4 Park. On a clear day, you can even see all the way to the ocean. How I  
5 envy her and her good luck! I vow that one day I will have my own  
6 office with a window view, too.



7 We couldn't have a long conversation, because she had to leave for a meeting on the  
8 eleventh floor. Later, she had to drive to the airport to pick up some out-of-town visitors from  
9 the state of West Virginia. Before she left, she invited me over for dinner on Saturday. She gave  
10 me her address, and I verified her phone number.

11 I am working overtime today. I have to go to a meeting at five-thirty. There are various  
12 changes to company procedures that we need to review. I believe some of the changes are  
13 unnecessary. My supervisor Vince agrees with me, but he says they are unavoidable since we  
14 don't make the rules. I wonder if Vivian can help.

renovate /'re-nə-veɪt/: to repair and give a fresh look to something

visitor /'vɪ-zə-tər/: a person who visits

verify /'ver-ə-,faɪ/: to confirm the truth or accuracy of something

various /'ver-i:-əs/: different kinds

supervisor /'su-pər-,vaɪ-zər/: a person who is responsible for managing a group of employees

unavoidable /,ən-ə-'vɔɪ-də-bəl/: cannot be avoided or cannot be stopped from happening