

Bakery Sector Vocabulary

Background

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Introduction

This vocabulary list is designed to help those who are learning English to better understand some of the specific work terms, jargon, acronyms and abbreviations that they may come across in the workplace.

The list includes a brief explanation of each words or term and has been formatted to be used like a “workbook” so that users can add their own notes either on an electronic version or on a printed copy.

In addition, the list includes guidance on pronunciation, which follows the “spelled pronunciation” style. Syllables are separated by hyphens and **bold type** indicates the primary stressed syllable, for example:

- newspaper [**nooz**-pey-per]
- information [in-fer-**mey**-shuh n]

A full explanation of the sounds is shown on the following page.

Key to Spelled Pronunciation

CONSONANTS

[b]	boy, baby, rob
[d]	do, ladder, bed
[f]	food, offer, safe
[g]	get, bigger, dog
[h]	happy, ahead
[j]	jump, budget, age
[k]	can, speaker, stick
[l]	let, follow, still
[m]	make, summer, time
[n]	no, dinner, thin
[ng]	singer, think, long
[p]	put, apple, cup
[r]	run, marry, far, store
[s]	sit, city, passing, face
[sh]	she, station, push
[t]	top, better, cat
[ch]	church, watching, nature, witch
[th]	thirsty, nothing, maths
[th]	this, mother, breathe
[v]	very, seven, love
[w]	wear, away
[hw]	where, somewhat
[y]	yes, onion
[z]	zoo, easy, buzz
[zh]	measure, television, beige

VOWELS

[a]	apple, can, hat
[ey]	aid, hate, day
[ah]	arm, father, aha
[air]	air, careful, wear
[aw]	all, or, talk, lost, saw
[e]	ever, head, get
[ee]	eat, see, need
[eer]	ear, hero, beer
[er]	teacher, afterward, murderer
[i]	it, big, finishes
[ahy]	I, ice, hide, deny
[o]	odd, hot, waffle
[oh]	owe, road, below
[oo]	ooze, food, soup, sue
[oo]	good, book, put
[oi]	oil, choice, toy
[ou]	out, loud, how
[uh]	up, mother, mud
[uh]	about, animal, problem, circus
[ur]	early, bird, stirring

FOREIGN SOUNDS

[A]	<i>Fr. ami</i>
[KH]	<i>Scot. loch, Ger. ach or ich</i>
[œ]	<i>Fr. feu, Ger. schön</i>
[R]	<i>Fr. au revoir, Yiddish rebbe</i>
[^{uh}]	<i>Fr. oeuvre</i>
[Y]	<i>Fr. tu, Ger. über</i>

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Word	Pronunciation	Definition	Translation/Notes
Bake	beyk	To cook within an oven.	
Cook	kook	To prepare food by the use of heat e.g. boiling, baking, roasting.	
Confectionery	<i>kuhn-fek-shuh-ner-ee</i>	Sweets including lollipops, candy bars, chocolate, and other sweet items of snack food.	
Decorate	dek-uh-reyt	To add something to and item to make it more attractive e.g. add icing to a cake.	
Dough	doh	A mixture of ingredients, worked into a soft, thick mass for baking into bread, pastry, etc.	
Fry	frahy	To cook or be cooked in a pan or on a griddle over direct heat, usually in hot fat or oil.	
Ingredient	in- gree -dee-uhnt	Food substances used to blend together to form mixtures e.g. powders like flour, liquids like water, sugars, dried fruits, nuts, seeds, yeast.	

Word	Pronunciation	Definition	Translation/Notes
Measure	mez -er	A definite quantity measured out or thought of as measured	
Mix	miks	Two or more ingredients put together to make a product e.g. dough, pastry.	
Mixture	miks-cher	A substance containing two or more ingredients	
Oven	uhv -uhn	A chamber or compartment, as in a stove, e.g. for baking, roasting, heating.	
Pastry	pey-stree	Flour dough or paste made with shortening and used for the crust of pies, tarts.	
Shortening	shawrt -ning, shawr -tn-ing	Butter, lard, or other fat, used to make products e.g. pastry, bread.	
Weigh	wey	To determine the weight of by means of a scale or balance	