

## Dialect and Oral History: The East Midlands

### AUDIO RECORD\*

#### Recording:

Reference JBDE1  
Dialect Location Long Eaton  
Date of interview July 2012

#### Interviewee:

Gender Female  
Date of birth / age 1986  
Occupation Teaching Assistant

#### Summary/Transcript:

##### Extract taken from: 5m00s – 6m02s

Obviously expecting that (...) you know so he's not had any food either and Alex couldn't eat and I couldn't eat I've just eaten like twenty of those and like a whole big bag of brazil nuts like a hundred grams of fat in like one  
***But it's good fat***

It is (...) I'm going to go home have like a nice deep hot bath with some wine I haven't even started that last essay yet though (...) I need to get it done

##### ***Have you got lots to do?***

Well (...) I need to hand it in a week on Wednesday (...) I'm struggling with the opening (...) yes (...) I might/ I've got it/ I've got it planned I might bring my plan tomorrow and show you is that alright and then I'm just struggling like with the opening little paragraph thing (...) oh I've got saddle sore I need to/ I think I will wear those padded ((unintelligible)) yes no one got a flat tyre I think Mr/ someone got a puncture oh yes so someone got a puncture (...) yeah (...) so we had to/ but we had like a pack for that

#### Linguistic description:

##### Phonology

Feature	Example(s)	Comments
FOOT/STRUT – [ʊ]	struggling - [stʊʊɡlɪn] nuts – [nʊts] puncture – [pʊŋktʃə]	Consistent
bath/trap → [æ]	bath – [bæθ] paragraph – [pærəɡræf]	Consistent
Vowel lengthening: GOAT → [ə:ʊ]	home – [hə:ʊm] show – [ʃə:ʊ] those – [ðə:z] go – [gə:ʊ]	Consistent
Vowel variation: PRICE → [aɪ]	wine – [waɪn]	Occurs once

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	/ʌ/ → [ɒ]	one – [wɒn]	Occurs once
	Diphthongisation: [i:] → [i:ə]	eat – [i:əʔ]	Occurs in all instances of this word
	happY vowel	obviously – [ɒvɪəsli]	Occurs once
	T-glottalisation	that – [ðaʔ] might – [maɪʔ] fat [faʔ]	Frequent but not consistent
	L-vocalisation	will – [wɪʊ <sup>w</sup> ] Brazil – [bræziʊ <sup>w</sup> ]	Frequent but not consistent
	<-ng> → [ŋ]	struggling – [strʊglɪŋ] opening – [ə:ʊpənɪŋ]	Frequent but not consistent

Lexis	Item	Meaning	Comments
	Like	Filler	Frequent

Grammar	Feature	Example(s)	Comments

**Further comments:**

This speaker also shows yod-dropping in another extract using [nu] for the word 'knew'.

GOAT vowel seems to be articulated slightly further forward than the schwa.