

Danish is a member of the Scandinavian branch of the Germanic family. It is the official language of the Kingdom of Denmark where it is spoken by over 5 million people, and it is a joint official language of the Faeroe Islands and of Greenland. The woman in this recording is in her 30's and speaks the standard, urban, Danish and has an Århus background.

Danish Consonant Phonemes:

Stops:	p	t	k	ʔ
	b	d	g	
Fricatives:	f	s	ʃ	h
	v	ð	j	ɣ
Nasals:	m	n	ŋ	
Liquids:		l		
Glides:	(w)		j	

The phenomenon in Danish called "Stød" is a glottal stop co-articulated or closely sequential with a consonant or vowel. It corresponds to the "acute tone" in Swedish and Norwegian.

Danish Vowel Phonemes:

i	y	u
ɪ		ʊ
e	ø	ə
ɛ	œ	ɔ
æ		ɑ

Vowel length is contrastive.

I. Word Lists

Consonants, Vowels, and Stød Contrasts:

1.	[bi:ðəʔ]	bidder	'bite'
2.	[litəʔ]	liter	'litre'
3.	[mi:kə]	mere	'more'
4.	[fit]	fedt	'fat'
5.	[be:kəʔ]	bærer	'carry'
6.	[liʃ]	let	'light'
7.	[by:ðəʔ]	byder	'offer'
8.	[lytəʔ]	lytter	'listen'
9.	[kø:bəʔ]	køber	'buy'
10.	[œl]	øl	'beer'
11.	[hø:nə]	hønne	'hen'
12.	[drø:jməʔ]	drømmer	'dream'
13.	[bæðə]	bader	'bath'

14.	[hæt]	hat	'hat'
15.	[stɾæks]	straks	'at once'
16.	[puðə]	pude	'pillow'
17.	[nu]	ny	'now'
18.	[sko:lə]	skole	'school'
19.	[bonə]	bunde	'farmer'
20.	[o:bin]	åben	'open'
21.	[gət]	godt	'well' (adv)
22.	[gæmə]	gammel	'old'
23.	[mæm]	mand	'man'
24.	[mʌn]	man	'one, a person'
25.	[hʊʔn]	hund	'dog'
26.	[hʊn]	hun	'she'
27.	[mɔʔək]	mord	'murder'
28.	[mɔəʔ]	mor	'mother'
29.	[sæʔnəð]	sandet	'the sand'
30.	[sænəð]	sanded	'sandy'
31.	[mi:l]	mil	'mile'
32.	[miʔl]	mild	'mild'
33.	[fu:l]	fugle	'bird'
34.	[fuʔl]	fuld	'full'
35.	[tʰe:l]	tale	'speak'
36.	[tʰɛ:l]	tal	'number'
37.	[goʔ]	gå	'go'
38.	[goʔuʔð]	gå ud	'go out'
39.	[søn]	søn	'son'
40.	[sæʔnən]	sønner	'the son'
41.	[jɪ:ð]	gid	'goat'
42.	[gi:ðəʔ]	gidder	'goats'
43.	[skeʔən]	skeen	'the spoon'
44.	[skeəʔ]	skeer	'spoons'
45.	[skoʔən]	skoen	'the shoe'

II. Word Recitation

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