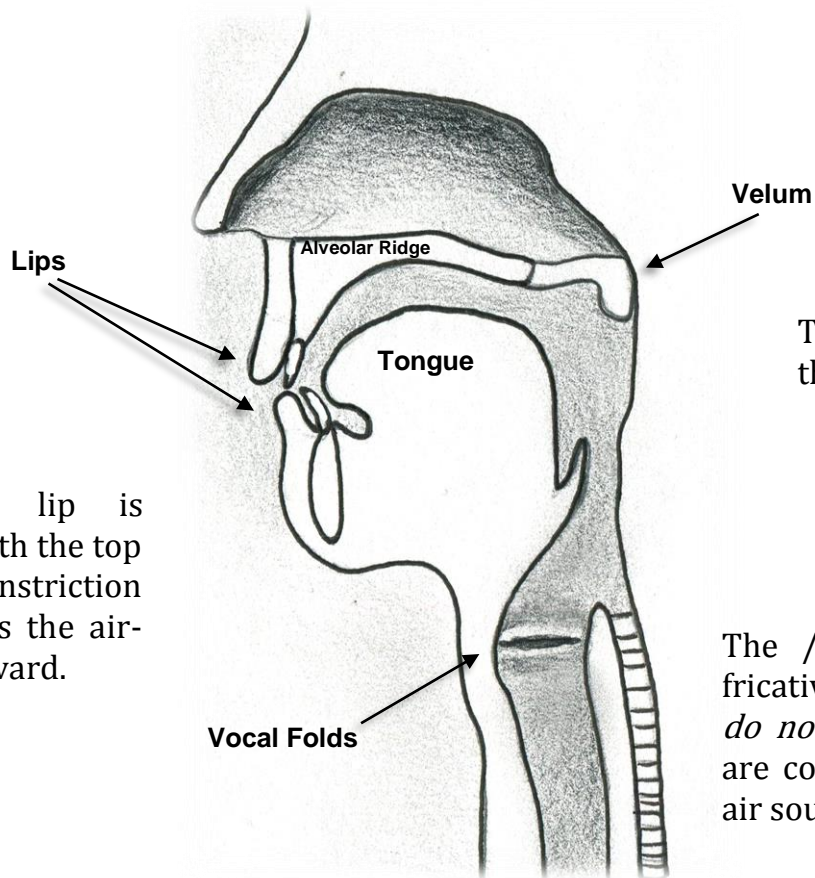


SPEECH SOUND /f/

For /f/ sound production, the upper teeth lightly touch the lower lip. The upper teeth are merely brushing the bottom lip, with only minimal pressure. When the breath stream flows through this constriction, it produces the /f/ sound.



The bottom lip is directly beneath the top teeth. The constriction formed directs the air-stream downward.

The **velum** seals the nasal cavity.

The /f/ is an unvoiced fricative. The vocal folds *do not* vibrate. Fricatives are continuous, stream of air sounds.