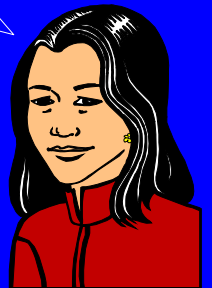


Exploring Language

Can you show me
some examples?



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1. Stability

An Example

I am **going** to the store
to get more bananas.



"go"

1 : to move on a course: PROCEED ... 2: to move out of or away from a place expressed or implied: LEAVE, DEPART <they went from school to the party> <she is going away for the summer>"

More Words



What Is Stable?

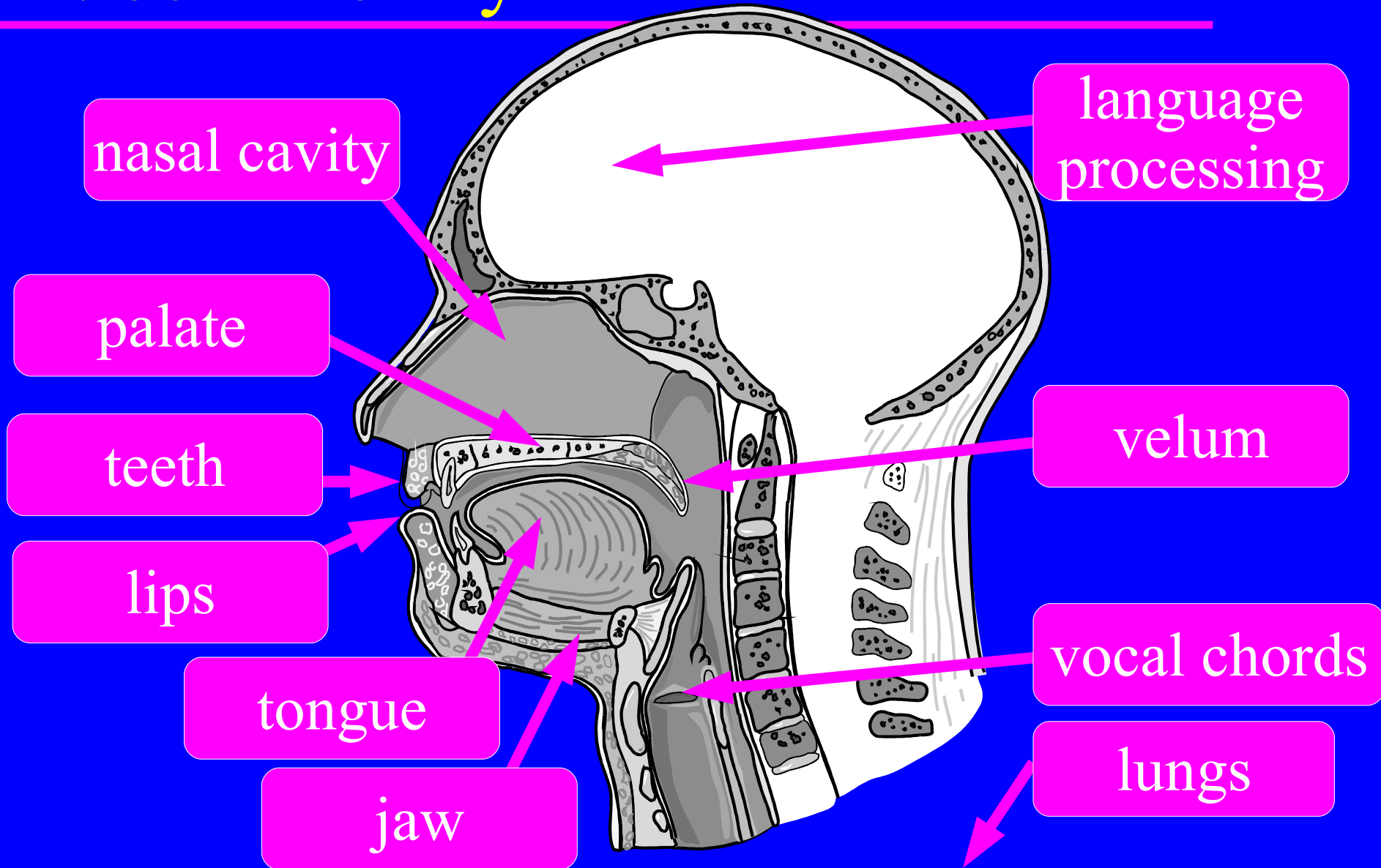
"I am going to the store to get bananas."

- ◆ Words
- ◆ Word meanings
- ◆ Groupings of words into sentences
- ◆ People knowing words
- ◆ People's memories
- ◆ Tongue, mouth, vocal chords
- ◆ Stores, bananas—a world around us

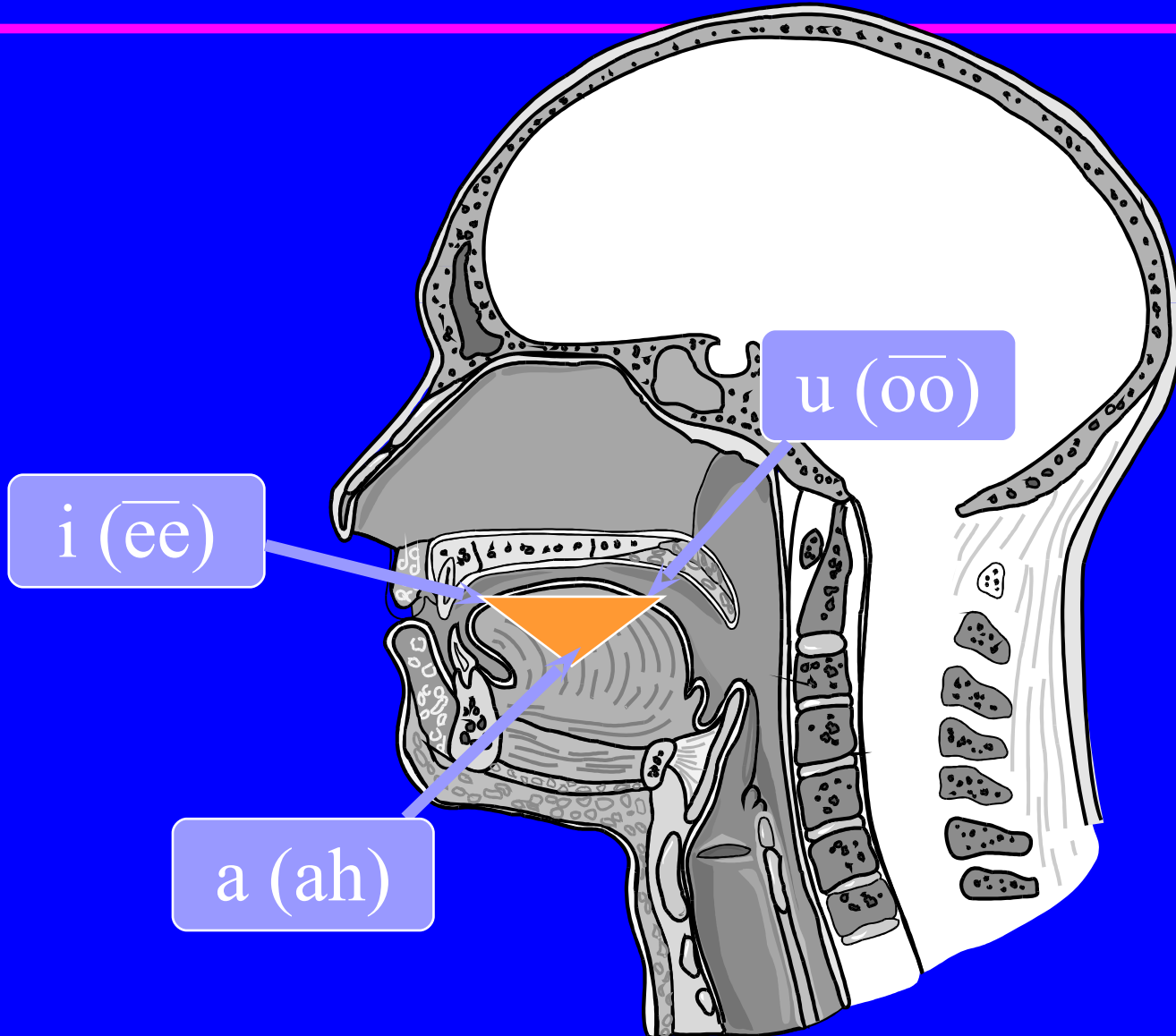
God's Gifts

- ◆ Creating the world (Gen. 1:1)
- ◆ Creating human beings (Gen. 1:27)
- ◆ Creating language capacity (Gen. 1:27-28)
- ◆ Giving you tongue, mouth, vocal chords
- ◆ Governing you and your world (Ps. 104:14; Prov. 16:33; Ps. 103:19; Lam. 3:37-38)
- ◆ Giving the word "go."

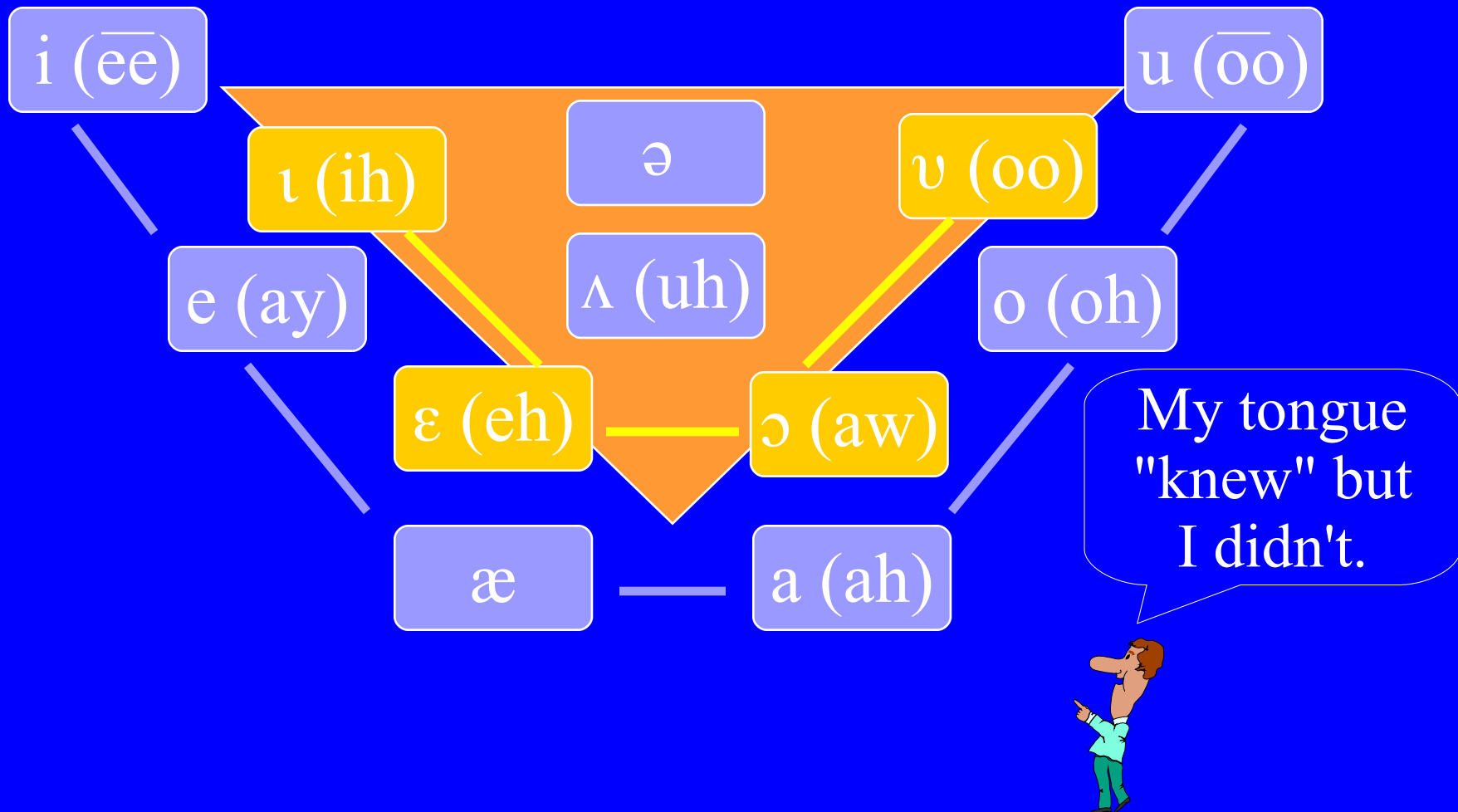
Vocal Ability



Vowels



English Vowel System



God's Wisdom

I praise you, for I am fearfully
and wonderfully made.

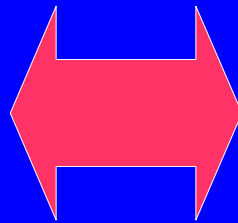
Wonderful are your works;
my soul knows it very well.

--Ps. 139:14

Human Responsibility

This Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. (Acts 2:23)

God's
control



human
responsibility

2. Change

God's Gifts for a Word

stability

"go" has stable meaning,
sound, spelling, grammar

change

"go" has a history
has a place in a sentence
is used for communication

God's Governing Change

change

... in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there were none of them. (Ps. 139:16)

Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether. (Ps. 139:4)

God's Governing Kingdoms

change

The Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will. (Dan. 4:32)

For his dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation; all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does according to his will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand or say to him, "What have you done?" (Dan. 4:34-35)

God Giving Choice

I am ...

I am going ...

I am dreaming ...

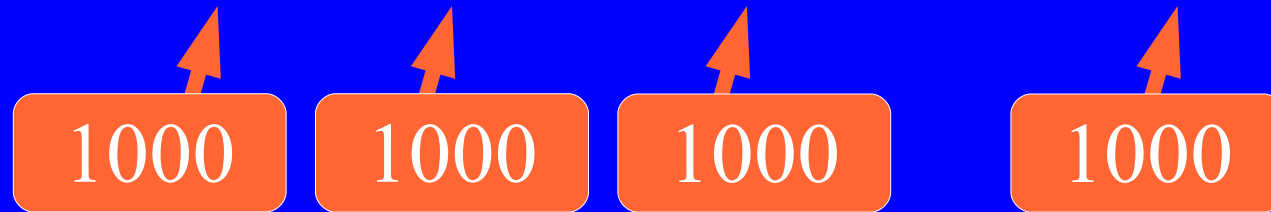
I am singing ...

I am buying ...

Innumerable Choices

- ◆ 600,000 words in Oxford English Dictionary
- ◆ Even with 4000 words:
 - 1000 nouns
 - 1000 verbs

"The woman saw the man on the street."



Total: $1000 \times 1000 \times 1000 \times 1000 = 1$ trillion

3. Relations

God's Gifts for a Word (Relations)

simple present	participle	simple past	past participle
go	going	went	gone
sing	singing	sang	sung
walk	walking	walked	walked
wash	washing	washed	washed

relations

God's Gifts for Environment

go

I go

Tomorrow I go to school

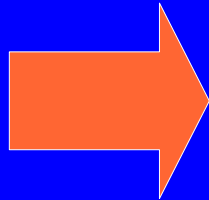
Tomorrow I go to school,
unless there is snow.

Human conversation,
action, smiles, helps, purposes.

Human lifetimes

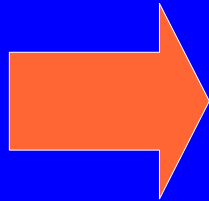
God's Gift of Perspectives

stability



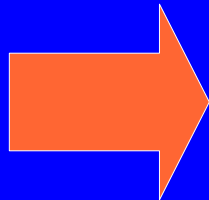
static perspective

change



dynamic perspective

relations



relational perspective