Chapter 9, exercise B

B Another way of describing the tongue position in vowels that has been suggested (see Sources) is to say that the tongue is in a neutral position in the vowel in *head* and that: (1) the body of the tongue is higher than in its neutral position in vowels such as those in *heed*, *hid*, *good*, *food*; (2) the body of the tongue is more back than in its neutral position in *good*, *food*, *father*; (3) the root of the tongue is advanced in *heed*, *food*; and (4) the root of the tongue is pulled back so that the pharynx is more constricted than in the neutral position in *had*, *father*. How far do the data in Figure 1.12 support these suggestions?