



# Seminario 8: Pronunciación!

Pt. 1

**Consonants**

**&**

**Vowels**

# Overview:

- 1. Pronunciation Truths & Perspective**
- 2. Difficult sounds - Contrasting Consonants**
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***What is the most important part of the  
body for good pronunciation?***

***Why do Portuguese speak better English than  
Spaniards?***

***Why can't a deaf-mute person speak?***

# PRONUNCIATION

## TRUTHS:

- 1) You will never lose your accent
- 2) Age doesn't matter
- 3) Most conversations are between non-native speakers
- 4) Pronunciation training is relative to country & context

# PRONUNCIATION

TRUTHS:

5) Your attitude  
counts

6) Being open-minded  
counts

7) Practice  
counts!

# PRONUNCIATION

## DIFFICULT SOUNDS:

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# PRONOUNCING

## DIFFICULT SOUNDS:

s

a



z

y

e

G

i

ie

J

gh

V

ou

w



# DIFFICULT SOUNDS:

brit  
box

BY **BBC** & **itv**

# DIFFICULT SOUNDS:



# PRONOUNCING

CONTRASTING sounds:

ghoti =

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Enough

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Communication

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## CONTRASTING sounds:

ghoti =

Enough

= f

Women

= i

Communication

= sh

# PRONOUNCING

## CONTRASTING sounds:

ghoti = fish

Enough = f

Women = i

Communication = sh

# PRONOUNCING

CONTRASTING consonants:

a toe negotiator vs a tough negotiator

# PRONOUNCING

## CONTRASTING consonants:

Voting is a right vs Boating is a right  
It's a major problem vs It's a mayor problem  
I know their daughter vs I know their doctor  
She's a manager vs She's a man a year  
It's wood vs It's good  
I like shoes vs I like Sue's



# CONTRASTING consonants:

VOICED

V

B

J/G

G

D

Z

UNVOICED

F

P

CH

K/C

T

S/C



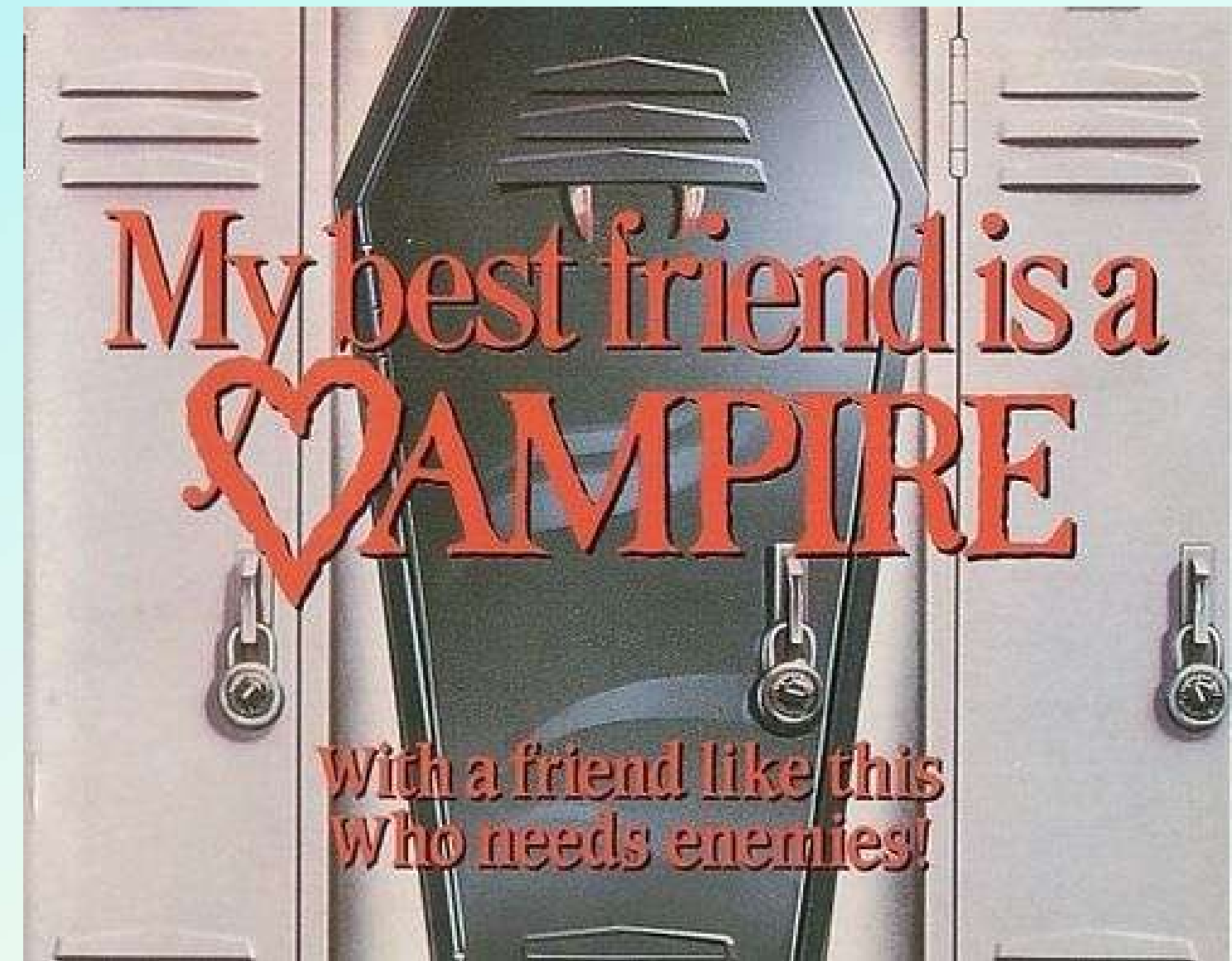
# CONTRASTING consonants:

B	vs.	V	vs.	F	vs.	P
bat		vat/V.A.T.		fat		pat/Pat
berry		very		ferry		Perry
ban		van		fan		pan
bowels		vowels		fouls		Powell's

I have problems with my vowels.

# CONTRASTING consonants:

Think  
key:



# CONTRASTING consonants:

C	vs.	G	vs.	CH	vs.	GJ	vs.	Y
kung-fu		gunk		chunk		junk		young
con		gone		Chong		John		yawn
cess		guess		chess		Jess		yes

Do you like young wine? vs. Do you like John Wayne?

# CONTRASTING consonants:

S	vs.	Z	vs.	SH
sip		zip		ship
Sue		zoo		shoe
face		phase		facial
too close		to close		closure*

He paid the price to win the prize.

# CONTRASTING consonants:

T

vs.

D

vs.

TH

ten

den

then

'tirty'

dirty

thirty

bat

bad

bath



# CONTRASTING consonants:

W	vs.	G	vs.	C
wood		good		could
would		good		could
watt		got		caught
warranty		guarantee		Karen T.

It's good that the wood could be guaranteed.

# CONTRASTING consonants:

N	vs.	NG	vs.	K
win		wing		wink
sin		sing		sink
thin		thing		think
sun, son		sung		sunk
chain		change		chank

I think we should change this thin chain.



# CONTRASTING consonants:

s

vs.

x (=ks)

boss

box

test

text

sample

example

ask

axe

tasks

taxes



He asked me what my tasks were with taxes.

# CONTRASTING consonants:

s vs. x (=ks)

space eggs vs Space X



# PRONOUNCING

the NECESSARY consonant:

They will bring two dessert<sup>s</sup>. We ordered several copie<sup>s</sup>.

She think<sup>s</sup> she will get the job. It'<sup>s</sup> not mine, it'<sup>s</sup> Luke'<sup>s</sup>.

He doe<sup>s</sup>n't like the boss'<sup>s</sup> assistant.

3rd person  
singular!

plurals!

possesive!



# PRONOUNCING

## Past Simple : Regular Verbs in affirmative

Regular verbs = infinitive +ed

*Pronunciation!*

ed = 'd'  
cleaned  
allowed  
believed  
explained  
closed

**NO** extra syllable

ed = 't'  
finished  
watched  
attached  
checked  
helped

*Pronunciation!*

ed = 'ed'  
decided  
accepted  
contacted  
started  
needed

**Ted is Ded = EXTRA**

**SYLLABLE**  eclap

# PRONUNCIATION CONFUSION!



Me: What company do you work for?

Employee: I work in a pine factory. Pines water, solvent pines. I was working there 40 years ago.

Me: I'm sorry what kind of company is it?

Employee: Pints, metal and wood.

Me: Pines or pints? What do you make again?

Employee: Pints.

Me: Oh, you mean 'pAints'. I understand now. I thought you meant pints as in beer or pines like the tree.

Employee: Sorry, my ass scent is very poor.



# PRONOUNCING

## VARIABLE vowels:

A - E - I - O - U

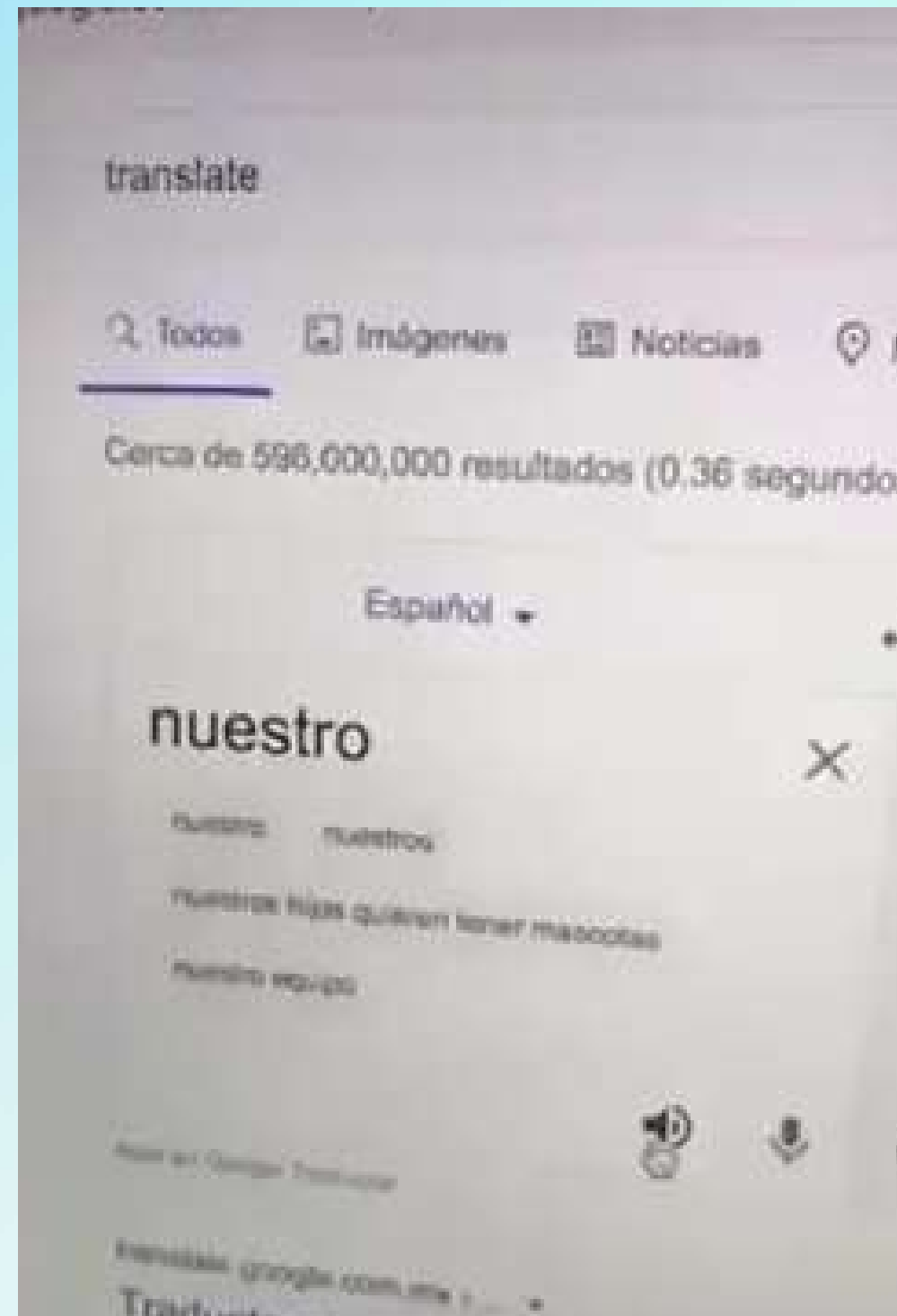
Spanish = 5 vowel sounds

Portuguese = 14 vowel sounds

British English = 19 vowel sounds!

American English = 21 vowel sounds!

# PRONOUNCING VARIABLE vowels:



# PRONOUNCING VARIABLE vowels:

¿Están pedidos nuestro mineral o remos o puertas?



# PRONOUNCING VARIABLE vowels:

¿Están pedidos nuestro mineral o remos o puertas?

Our ore or our oars or our doors are orderd?



# VARIABLE vowels:

or	--	oar	--	ore
or		boar		bore
for		board		core
fork		roar		ignore
cork		soar		more
corn				shore
north				store

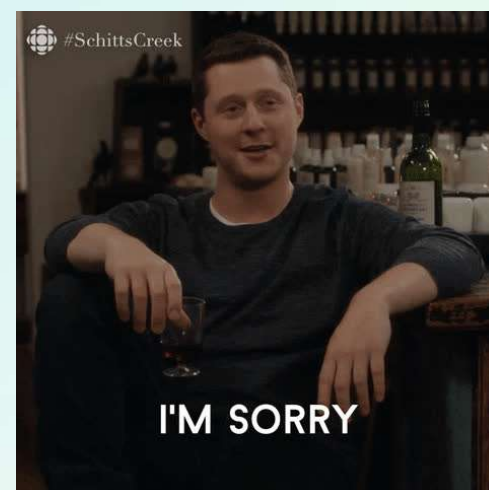
# VARIABLE vowels:

I can't see her **hair**. vs I can't see her **here**.

I like his **beard**. vs I like his **bird**.

It was due to **fat**. vs It was due to **fate**.

Can I have **a bit**? vs Can I have a **beat/beet**?



# VARIABLE vowels:

air -- chair -- hair -- fair -- pair -- stair

share -- hare -- fare -- spare -- stare -- bare -- ware

pear -- tear -- bear -- wear

there -- where

their

they're

heir



# VARIABLE vowels:

two different sound for 'ow'

town

frown

clown

gown

allow

bow

vow

wow

now

?

window

swallow

pillow

elbow

arrow

borrow

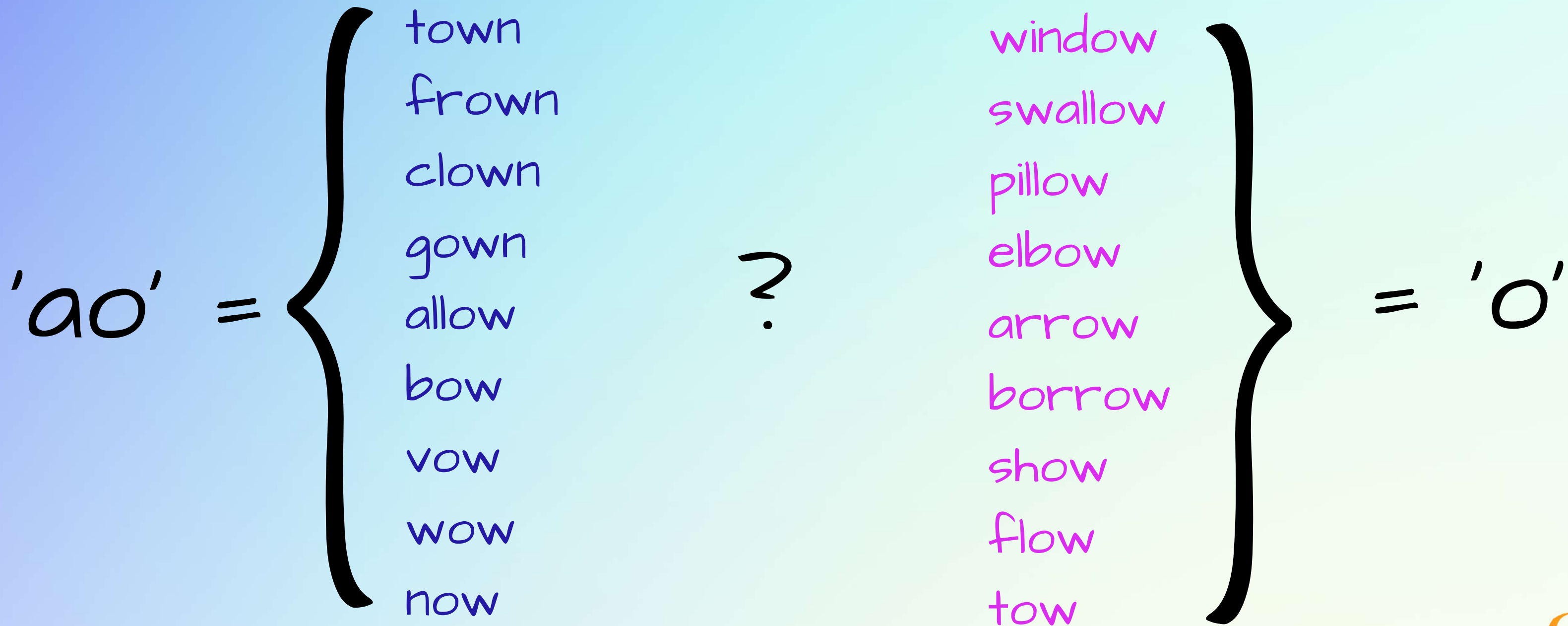
show

flow

tow

# VARIABLE vowels:

two different sound for 'ow'



# PRONOUNCING

## LONG & SHORT vowels:

'When you *leave* this moment vs When you *live* this moment  
I can't *leave* without you. vs. I can't *live* without you.

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LONG

vs.

SHORT

ate, state, rain (a) vs (at) stat, ran

site, fight (i) vs (it, in) sit, fit

seat bean (e) vs (etc) set, Ben

these vs this



# PRONOUNCING

## LONG & SHORT vowels:

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SPANISH SOUND

vs.

SHORT

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# PRONOUNCING

## LONG & SHORT vowels:

'LONG' and 'SHORT' sounds with the SILENT 'e'

LONG sound  
with silent 'e'

SHORT sound  
without silent 'e'

Same LONG sound  
different spelling

EXCEPTIONS!

A

eɪ/ fate, hate, cape,  
plane, pace, behave

/æ/ fat, hat, cap,  
plan, pack,

/eɪ/ break, steak,  
stake, pain, day

/æ/ to have

E

/iː/ delete, complete,  
obsolete, concrete

/e/ let, met, fed,  
led, red, wet,

/iː/ meet, feed,  
lead, read (pres),  
wheat

/e/ to read (past)

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LONG sound  
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EXCEPTIONS!

I

/aɪ/ kite, bite, site,  
live, alive, wine, pile

/ɪ/ kit, bit, sit, fit,  
hit, win, pill, ill

/aɪ/ sight, fight,  
height, bind, aisle/I'll

/ɪ/ to live,  
to give

O

/əʊ/ note, hope,  
wrote, cone

/ɒ/ not, hop, rot,  
con,

/əʊ/ boat, door,  
poor, pour

/ɒ/ gone  
/əʊ/ nor, for, or  
/uː/ lose, whose

U

/u/ use, abuse, huge,  
cute, fuse

/ʌ/ us, a bus, hug,  
cut, fuss

/u/ beautiful,  
Houston, Hugh

//ə//ʌ/ about, the

# PRONOUNCING

## VARIABLE vowels:

### Minimal Pairs

/ʌ/ /ɒ/  
fun - fond  
but - bought  
putt - pot

/ɪ/ /e/  
pin - pen  
tin - ten  
fill - fell

/æ/ /ʌ/  
bat - but  
bag - bug  
ankle - uncle

/uː/ /ʌ/  
Putin- puttín  
pool - pull  
Luke- luck

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# PRONOUNCING

## SILENT SOUNDS:

Shhhhh! **Silent** Letters!!



silent 'b'

bomb

climb

debt

doubt

silent 'e'

different

every

evening

several

silent 'g'

sign

foreign

assign

champagne

silent 'h'

chaos

chorus

honor

hour

vehicle

# SILENT SOUNDS:

Shhhhh! **Silent** Letters!!



silent 'i'

business

cruise

fruit juice

recruit

suit

silent 'k'

knee

knife

know

knock

knot

silent 'l'

half

walk

could, would, should

salmon

\*folk, calm, palm

silent 'o'

catholic

chocolate

comfortable

leopard

people

The man drank sweet fruit juice in his hotel suite in a suit.

# SILENT SOUNDS:

Shhhhh! **Silent** Letters!!



silent 's'

island

isle

aisle

debris

Arkansas

silent 't'

listen

castle

whistle

clothes

often\*

silent 'u'

quest

circuit

building

biscuits

guarantee

silent 'w'

answer

write

wrong

whole

law / lawyer

# SILENT SOUNDS:

Shhhhh! **Silent** Letters!!



silent 'gh'

"aa"

bought

brought

fought

ought

thought

"aa"

caught

daughter

taught

"oo"

dough

although

though

thorough

"uu"

through

gh' = 'f'

"ə"

enough

rough

tough

"aa"

cough

laugh\*



# PRONOUNCING

## SAME SOUNDS:

Common Homonyms!!



ate-eight

berry-bury

dear-deer

find-fined

flower-flour

hole-whole

one-won

pole-poll

scene-seen

tail-tale

bi-by-bye-buy

pore-poor-pour

raise-rays-Ray's

their-there-they're

ware-wear-where

She needed to find a tunic and two tutus too!

# PRONUNCIATION

## CULTURAL DIFFERENCES:



Vs.



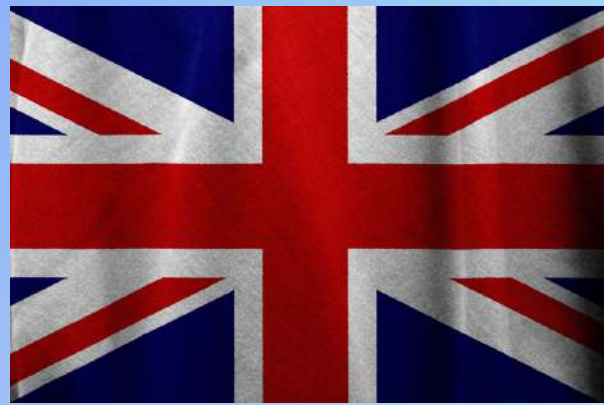
't' is clear  
(water, better, artificial)

't' like 'd'  
(water, better, artificial)

'r' is weak  
(hard, were, ear, more)

'r' is strong  
(hard, were, ear, more)

# CULTURAL DIFFERENCES:



Vs.



'a' rounder  
(bath, chance, laugh, ask)

'o' rounder  
(on, hot, honest, coffee)

'a' more nasal  
(bath, chance, laugh, ask)

'o' like 'ah'  
(on, hot, honest, coffee)

# PRONUCIATION

# REMEMBER!

# PRONUCIATION

## REMEMBER!

Fi-nal  
Fi-nance  
Bi-ology  
Pri-vate  
Cli-mate  
Mi-nus

I =



I-dea  
I-dentity  
Mi-crowave  
Sci-ence  
Vi-olin  
Mi-nor

# PRONUNCIATION

## REMEMBER!

eSegovia

eSevilla

eSantander

eSechells

eSoria

esur

esudor

esorteo

esácale

esería

# PRONUNCIATION

## REMEMBER!



eSegovia

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# PRONUCIATION

## REMEMBER!

eSpain

eSpanish

especial

eespaghetti

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estart

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estudy

estop

estay



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## REMEMBER!



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estay



# PRONUNCIATION

## REMEMBER!



eSpain  
eSpanish  
especial  
eespaghetti  
esound



estart  
estress  
estudy  
estop  
estay



essence  
escape  
especially  
estimate  
essential  
establish  
estate



# COMMONLY CONFUSED!

euros

since

bird

series

courses

patience

daughter

mother-in-law

chaos



Vs.

arrows

science, signs

beard

Siri, serious

curses (maldiciones)

passions

doctor

mother-in-love

COWS

# PRONUNCIATION

10 TENDENCIES

TO MAKE

YOUR PRONUNCIATION

BETTER!

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES !

**RULE#1:** Short words have short vowels

Vowel sounds are commonly divided into short and long vowel sounds.

Short vowels almost always occur in short words such as:

A: at (not ate), apps (not apes), cat, sand, man

E: end, men (not main), pen (not pain), ken (not cane)

I: in, sin (not seen), fix, Tim (not team), sit (not seat)

U: us, bus, fun, sun (not soon), shut (not shoot), of

O: on (not own), top, not (not note), off

**EXEPTIONS:** A: say, pay, day I: kind, find O: do, don't

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES !

**RULE#2:** Two vowels side-by-side generally make a long vowel

Vowel sounds composed of two vowels next to each other are common in English. They usually have a long sound of the first vowel.

Long A sound: plain, main, stain,

Long E sound: meat, meet, need, read, cease

Long I sound: die, dial, diamond

Long O sound: goat, boat, float, oar

**EXCEPTIONS:** steak, sweat, create, bound, bear, beard, pair, fair...

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES!

RULE#3: Keep vowels short before double consonants

The vowel that comes before double consonants is always in its short pronunciation

short A: mate vs. matter, late vs. latter, sadder

short E: cheese vs chess, dress, mess, better

short I: dine vs dinner, wine vs winner, kite vs kitten

short O: hotter, cotton, forgotten

short U: butter, shutter, utter, summer

EXCEPTIONS: none!

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES !

**RULE#4:** Pronounce double consonants as a single letter

Words that have double ll, ss, ff, rr, pp, zz, dd and cc are all pronounced as if they are singular such as the words "fuzz," "occur," or "fluff."

CC words as 'K':

account, accuse,  
broccoli, impeccable,  
occasion, occupy,  
tobacco

**EXCEPTIONS:** CC as 'KS'

accent, success, accident, access,  
accelerate, accept, accessory,  
eccentric, vaccine



# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES !

**RULE#5:** If only one 'E' is at the end of a word, it's silent

Many learners will want to include the 'e' in their pronunciation, but it is actually silent and causes the vowel before it to become long such as "ate," "bite," or "rope."

**EXCEPTIONS:**

Apostrophe	Cliché
Catastrophe	Fiancé/fiancée
Recipe	Karate
Sesame	Latte
Vigilante	Résumé

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES!

RULE#6: Pronounce C like S when it's followed by I, E, or Y

When followed by i, e, or y "c" is called a "soft c" as compared to a "hard c" (cat, close, cup) Examples include:

CC words as 'K':

cite, city

century, center, cell

cycle, cyclical

Careful! C as 's' not 'th'

city (sity) NOT thity

center (senter) NOT thenter

certain (sertain) NOT thertain

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES!

RULE#7: Pronounce the word ending TION with a SH sound

"ti" is pronounced like a 'sh' as in the word "shoe." The following vowels are usually a schwa. "tion" is typically pronounced more like "shun.", such as.

"tion" like "shun" :

action, fraction,  
tradition, position,  
situation, ratio

EXCEPTIONS! : s + tion = chun

question, suggestion, digestion,  
exhaustion, congestion, combustion

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES!

RULE#8: Pronounce the word ending TION with a SH sound

When 's' is between two vowel sounds, it is pronounced like a 'z'.. This gives us words like:

S like a Z:

music, phase, please,  
tease, maze, busy,  
to use

EXCEPTIONS! : S like 'sss'

case, face, chase, race,  
the use

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES!

RULE#9: 'OU' has many pronunciations

'ou' is a difficult sound to master. It has up to 5 different sounds.

Practice the ones you don't know:

Like a Spanish

'uu':

soup

group

through

Like a Spanish

'aa':

thought

bought

ought

cough

Like a Spanish

'au':

out

hour

about

sound

mountain

# PRONUNCIATION

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An 'uh' sound:

rough  
tough  
enough

A schwa sound:

could  
would  
should

# PRONUNCIATION

## 10 TENDENCIES !

RULE#10: Always pronounce the 's' !

Unless in one of the words with silent 's' already indicated, please remember to pronounce **ALL** your 'S's.

S like a Z:

He likes the changes.

She thinks it is hers.

It costs 10 euros.

The boxes have new components.

It's one of the many things she does.

EXCEPTIONS! :

island

isle

aisle

debris

Arkansas

# EXERCISE TIME!

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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# POOL TIME

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# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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**EXERCISE 1: Listen and distinguish the difference between the pairs of words.**

(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

1. He needs to speak to the \_\_\_\_\_.

a. mayor (ior)

b. major (chor)

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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**EXERCISE 1: Listen and distinguish the difference between the pairs of words.**

(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

2. Check his \_\_\_\_\_.

a. vowels

b. bowels

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

**3. I can't stand the \_\_\_\_\_!**

a. chaos (que-aas)

**b. cows**

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

4. If you \_\_\_\_\_ they won't want you as an example.

a. sing

b. sin (like 'in')

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

5. \_\_\_\_\_ are key to understanding the products.

a. **Samples**

b. Examples

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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6. We need to evaluate the last \_\_\_\_\_.

a. face

**b. phase**



# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

**7. You left your pink \_\_\_\_ in the sink.**

- a. **pin**
- b. pen

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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**EXERCISE 1:** Listen and distinguish the difference between the pairs of words.

(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

8. He has a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

- a. patience
- b. passions**

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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**EXERCISE 1:** Listen and distinguish the difference between the pairs of words.

(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

9. Can you see \_\_\_\_?

a. this

**b. these**

# POLL TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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**EXERCISE 1: Listen and distinguish the difference between the pairs of words.**

(Escuche y distinga la diferencia entre los pares de palabras.)

**10. That's an amazing \_\_\_\_.**

**a. beard**

b. bird

# EXERCISE TIME

## PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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### **EXERCISE 2:** Read the sentences out loud to distinguish the different sounds:

(Lea las frases en voz alta para distinguir los diferentes sonidos.)

- 1. It's a weird theory, but I hear that saying 'cheers' with a beer near your beard reduces tears and fears.** (Es una teoría extraña, pero escuché que decir "salud" con una cerveza cerca de la barba reduce las lágrimas y los miedos.)
- 2. They heard word while at work that her third bird was hurt.** (Escucharon noticias mientras trabajaban de que su tercer pájaro estaba herido.)
- 3. Bears have a fair amount of hair (fur) everywhere except their noses, which are bare.** (Los osos tienen una buena cantidad de pelo (pelaje) en todas partes excepto en la nariz, que está desnuda.)

# EXERCISE TIME

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**4. Sue often wears her old pair of shoes with tears and sits on the stairs there, where she can breathe fresh air without a care.** (Sue a menudo usa su viejo par de zapatos rotos y se sienta en las escaleras allí donde puede respirar aire fresco sin preocuparse.)

**5. Whether they want to walk a lot or not, there are lots of shops between the city wall and the water.** (Ya sea que quieran caminar mucho o no, hay muchas tiendas entre la muralla de la ciudad y el agua.)

**6. If you can't fit it in the bin, a trick is using a big stick to hit it so it fits a bit better.** (Si no puedes caberlo en la papelera, un truco es usar un palo grande para golpearlo para que quepa un poco mejor.)

# PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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by following the  
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PRONUNCIATION FUN MAZE from English-Zone.Com  
**BUT (schwa sound)**  
 Find your way through the maze locating words  
 with the sound [ə] as in the word but [bət].

but	sh <u>u</u> t	sh <u>oo</u> t	so <u>m</u> e	bl <u>oo</u> d	to <u>u</u> ch	cr <u>u</u> mb
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co <u>l</u> or	to <u>u</u> gh	so <u>cc</u> er	mo <u>n</u> key	th <u>o</u> ught	spa	sp <u>u</u> n
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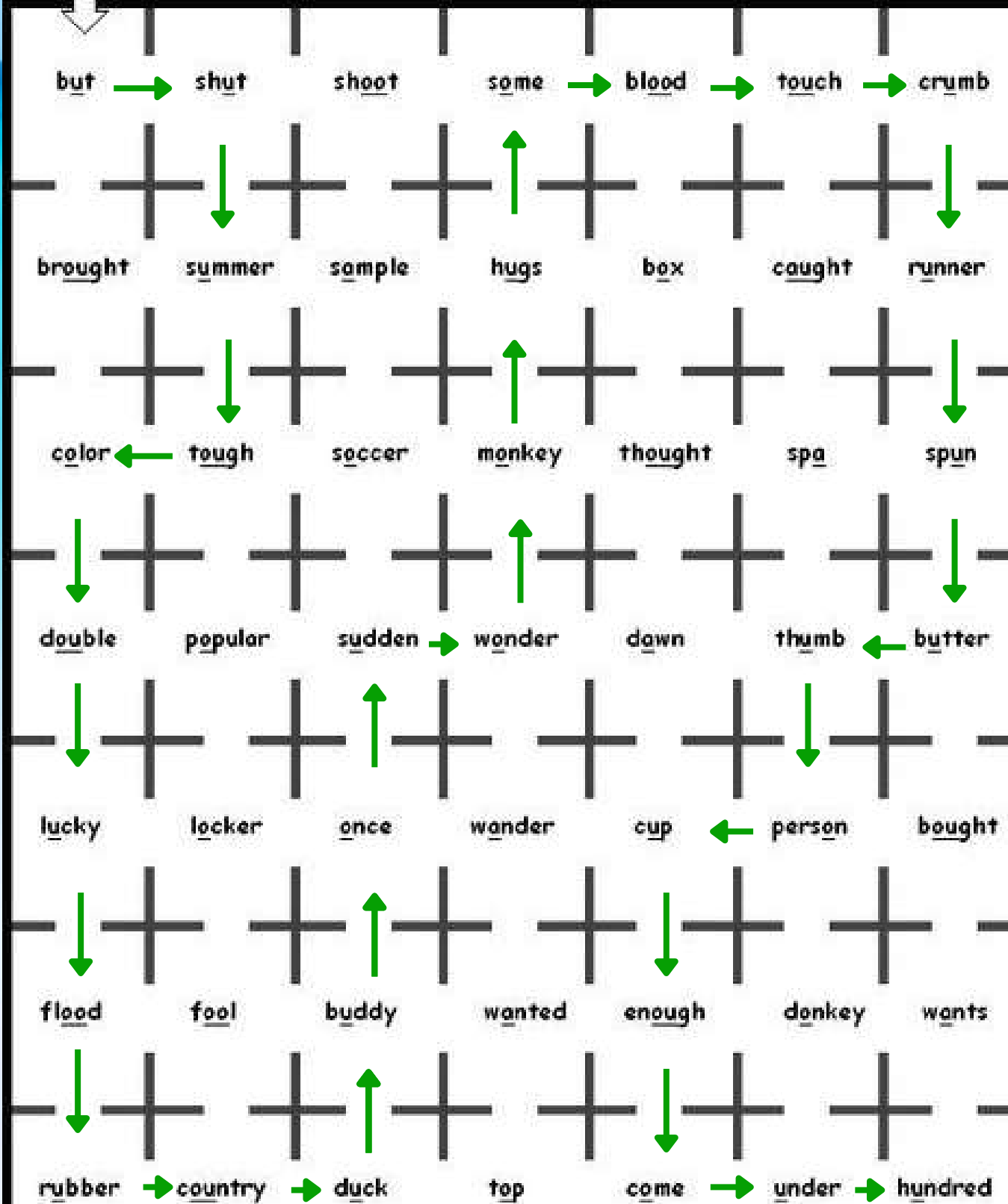
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but	→ shut	shoot	some	→ blood	→ touch	→ crumb
+	↓	+	↑	+	+	↓
brought	summer	sample	hugs	box	caught	runner
+	↓	+	↑	+	+	↓
color	← tough	seccer	monkey	thought	spa	spun
↓	+	+	↑	+	+	↓
double	popular	sudden	→ wonder	down	thumb	← butter
↓	+	↑	+	+	↓	+
lucky	locker	once	wander	cup	← person	bought
↓	+	↑	+	↓	+	+
flood	fool	buddy	wanted	enough	denkey	wants
↓	+	↑	+	↓	+	+
rubber	→ country	→ duck	top	come	→ under	→ hundred



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## **EXERCISE 4: Read the sentences out loud to distinguish the different sounds:**

(Lea las frases en voz alta para distinguir los diferentes sonidos.)

- 1. Since it was a business cruise, he wore a suit and drank lots of sweet fruit juice.**
- 2. He walked calmly half way down the river bank so he could catch a salmon.**
- 3. In this town they don't allow you to shoot arrows through windows.**
- 4. I doubt the debt will climb higher.**

# PRONUNCIATION PRECISION!

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5. **I fought through the line, bought a ticket and caught the bus just in time.**
6. **Will we be comfortable eating more vegetables and using renewable energies?**
7. **If you listen closely you can often hear someone whistling from the castle.**
8. **As the project manager, she was the one responsible for accomplishing the objectives.**

# PRONUNCIATION

TIPS:



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## TIPS:



1) Open your ears

2) Listen to news, podcasts, movies, series, songs

3) Practice difficult sounds - repetition is key!



4) Slow first, correct, then fast

5) Be the parrot - model and shadow



# Q&A sesión



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**Practice**

**Focus**

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*Thank  
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*Brian Bolles*

