

The Chaos

[ðə ka:ɔs]

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[ˈʒe:ra:t 'nɒlst tre:nɪ'te:]

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Dearest creature in creation [ˈdɪərɪst 'kri:tʃər ɪn kri'eɪʃən]
Studying English pronunciation, [ˈstʌdɪ.ŋ 'ɪŋɡlɪʃ prəˌnʌnsɪ'eɪʃən]
I will teach you in my verse [aɪ wɪl 'ti:tʃ ju ɪn maɪ 'vɜ:s]
Sounds like corpse, corps, horse and worse. [ˈsaʊndz laɪk 'kɔ:ps 'kɔ: 'hɔ:s ənd 'wɜ:s]
I will keep you, Susy, busy, [aɪ wɪl 'ki:p ju 'sju:zɪ 'bɪzɪ]
Make your head with heat grow dizzy; [ˈmeɪk jə 'hed wɪð 'hi:t 'grəʊ 'dɪzɪ]
Tear in eye, your dress you'll tear; [ˈtiə ɪn 'aɪ jə 'dres ju:l 'teə]
Queer, fair seer, hear my prayer. [ˈkwɪə 'fiə 'siə 'hiə maɪ 'preə]
Pray, console your loving poet, [ˈpreɪ kən'səʊl jə 'lʌvɪŋ 'pəʊ.ɪt]
Make my coat look new, dear, sew it! [ˈmeɪk maɪ 'kəʊt 'lʊk 'nju: 'diə 'seʊ ɪt]
Just compare heart, hear and heard, [ˈdʒʌst kəm'peə 'hɑ:t 'hiə ənd 'hɜ:d]
Dies and diet, lord and word. [ˈdaɪs ənd 'daɪət 'lɔ:d ənd 'wɜ:d]
Sword and sward, retain and Britain [ˈsɔ:d ənd 'swɔ:d rɪ'teɪn ənd 'brɪtən]
(Mind the latter how it's written). [ˈmaɪnd ðə 'lætə haʊ ɪts 'rɪtən]
Made has not the sound of bade, [ˈmeɪd hæz 'nɒt ðə 'saʊnd əv 'bæd]
Say—said, pay—paid, laid but plaid. [ˈseɪ 'sed 'peɪ 'peɪd 'leɪd bʌt 'plæd]
Now I surely will not plague you [ˈnaʊ aɪ 'ʃʊəli 'wɪl nɒt 'pleɪg ju:]
With such words as vague and ague, [wɪð sʌtʃ 'wɜ:dz əz 'veɪg ənd 'eɪɡju:]
But be careful how you speak, [bʌt bi 'keəfəl 'haʊ ju 'spi:k]
Say: gush, bush, steak, streak, break, bleak, [ˈseɪ 'ɡʌʃ 'bʊʃ 'steɪk 'stri:k 'breɪk 'bli:k]
Previous, precious, fuchsia, via [ˈpri:vɪ.əs 'preʃəs 'fju:ʃə 'vaɪ.ə]
Recipe, pipe, studding-sail, choir; [ˈresɪpɪ 'paɪp 'stʌnsəl 'kwaɪə]
Woven, oven, how and low, [ˈwəʊvən 'ʌvən 'haʊ ənd 'ləʊ]
Script, receipt, shoe, poem, toe. [ˈskrɪpt rɪ'si:t 'ʃu: 'pəʊm 'təʊ]
Say, expecting fraud and trickery: [ˈseɪ ɪks'pektɪŋ 'frɔ:d ənd 'trɪkəri]
Daughter, laughter and Terpsichore, [ˈdɔ:tə 'lɑ:ftər ənd tɜ:'psɪkəri]
Branch, ranch, measles, topsails, aisles, [ˈbrɑ:ntʃ 'rɑ:ntʃ 'mi:zls 'tɒpsəlz/'tɒpsəlz 'aɪlz]
Missiles, similes, reviles. [ˈmɪsaɪlz 'sɪməli:z rɪ'vaɪlz]
Wholly, holly, signal, signing, [ˈhəʊli 'hɒli 'sɪgnəl 'sɑ:nɪŋ]
Same, examining, but mining, [ˈseɪm ɪg'zæmɪnɪŋ bʌt 'maɪnɪŋ]
Scholar, vicar, and cigar, [ˈskɒlə 'vɪkər ənd sɪ'ɡɑ:]
Solar, mica, war and far. [ˈsəʊlə 'maɪkə 'wɔ:r ənd 'fɑ:]
From desire—desirable, admirable from admire, [frəm dɪ'zaɪə dɪ'zɑ:rəbəl 'ædmɪrəbəl
frəm əd'maɪə]
Lumber, plumber, bier, but brier, [ˈlʌmbə 'plʌmə 'biə bʌt 'braɪə]
Topsham, brougham, renown, but known, [ˈtɒpsəm 'brʊ:əm rɪ'naʊn bʌt 'nəʊn]
Knowledge, done, lone, gone, none, tone, [ˈnɒlɪdʒ 'dʌn 'ləʊn 'ɡɔ:n 'nʌn 'təʊn]
One, anemone, Balmoral, [wʌn ə'neməni bæ'l'mɔ:rəl]
Kitchen, lichen, laundry, laurel. [ˈkɪtʃən 'laɪkən/lɑ:hən 'ləʊndri 'ləʊrəl]
Gertrude, German, wind and wind, [ɡɜ:t'rʊ:d 'dʒɜ:mən 'wɪnd ənd 'waɪnd]
Beau, kind, kindred, queue, mankind, [ˈbəʊ 'kaɪnd 'kɪndrɪd 'kju: mən'kaɪnd]

Tortoise, turquoise, chamois-leather, [ˈtɔːtəs ˈtɜːkwɔɪz ˈʃæmi ˈleðə]
 Reading, Reading, heathen, heather. [ˈriːdɪŋ ˈredɪŋ ˈhiːðən ˈheðə]
 This phonetic labyrinth [ðɪs fəʊˈnetɪk ˈlæbɪrɪnθ]
 Gives moss, gross, brook, brooch, ninth, plinth. [ˈɡɪvs ˈmɒs ˈɡrɔːs ˈbrʊk ˈbrəʊtʃ ˈnaɪnθ
 ˈplɪnθ]
 Have you ever yet endeavoured [ˈhæv ju ˈevə ˈjet ɪnˈdevəd]
 To pronounce revered and severed, [tʊ prəˈnaʊns rɪˈvɪəd ənd ˈsevəd]
 Demon, lemon, ghoul, foul, soul, [ˈdiːmən ˈlemən ˈɡuːl ˈfaʊl ˈsəʊl]
 Peter, petrol and patrol? [ˈpiːtə ˈpetrəl ənd pətˈrəʊl]
 Billet does not end like ballet; [ˈbɪlɪt ˈdʌz nɒt ˈend laɪk ˈbæleɪ]
 Bouquet, wallet, mallet, chalet. [ˈbʊkeɪ ˈwɒlɪt ˈmæləɪt ˈʃæleɪ]
 Blood and flood are not like food, [ˈblʌd ənd ˈflʌd ɑː ˈnɒt laɪk ˈfuːd] (!!!)
 Nor is mould like should and would. [ˈnɔːr ɪz ˈməʊld laɪk ˈʃʊd ənd ˈwʊd] (!!!)
 Banquet is not nearly parquet, [ˈbæŋkwɪt ɪz nɒt ˈniəli ˈpɑːkeɪ] (!!!)
 Which exactly rhymes with khaki. [wɪtʃ ɪɡˈzæktli raɪmz wɪð ˈkɑːki] (!!!)
 Discount, viscount, load and broad, [ˈdɪskaʊnt ˈvaɪkaʊnt ˈləʊd ənd ˈbrɔːd]
 Toward, to forward, to reward, [ˈtəʊəd tʊ ˈfɔːwəd tʊ rɪˈwɔːd]
 Ricocheted and crocheting, croquet? [ˈrɪkəʃetɪd ənd ˈkrəʊʃetɪŋ krəʊˈkeɪ]
 Right! Your pronunciation's OK. [ˈraɪt ˈjɔː prəˌnʌnsɪˈeɪʃəns əʊˈkeɪ]
 Rounded, wounded, grieve and sieve, [ˈraʊndɪd ˈwuːndɪd ˈɡriːv ənd ˈsɪv]
 Friend and fiend, alive and live. [ˈfrend ənd ˈfiːnd əˈlaɪv ənd ˈlɪv]
 Is your “r” correct in higher? [ɪz jər ˈɑː kəˈrekt ɪn ˈhaɪə]
 Keats asserts it rhymes Thalia. [ˈkiːts əˈsɜːts ɪt ˈraɪmz θəˈlaɪə]
 Hugh, but hug, and hood, but hoot, [ˈhjuː bʌt ˈhʌɡ ənd ˈhʊd bʌt ˈhuːt]
 Buoyant, minute, but minute. [ˈbɔɪənt ˈmɪnɪt bʌt mɪˈnjuːt]
 Say abscission with precision, [seɪ æbˈsɪʒən wɪð prɪˈsɪʒən]
 Now: position and transition; [naʊ pəˈzɪʃən ənd trænˈzɪʒən/trænˈsɪʒən]
 Would it tally with my rhyme [ˈwʊd ɪt ˈtæli wɪð maɪ ˈraɪm]
 If I mentioned paradigm? [ɪf aɪ ˈmenʃənd ˌpærəˈdaɪm]
 Twopence, threepence, tease are easy, [ˈtʌpəns ˈθrepeɪns ˈtiːz ɑːr ˈiːzi]
 But cease, crease, grease and greasy? [ˈsiːz ˈkriːz ˈɡriːs ənd ˈɡriːzi]
 Cornice, nice, valise, revise, [ˈkɔːnɪs/ˈkɔːnɪʃ ˈnaɪs vəˈlɪs rɪˈvaɪz]
 Rabies, but lullabies. [ˈreɪbɪz ˈbʌt ˈlʌləˌbaɪz]
 Of such puzzling words as nauseous, [ɒv sʌtʃ ˈpʌzliŋ ˈwɜːdz əz ˈnɔːʃəs]
 Rhyming well with cautious, tortious, [raɪmɪŋ wel wɪð ˈkɔːʃəs ˈtɔːʃəs]
 You'll envelop lists, I hope, [juːl ɪnˈveləp ˈlɪsts aɪ ˈhəʊp]
 In a linen envelope. [ɪn ə ˈlɪnən ˈenvəˌləʊp]
 Would you like some more? You'll have it! [ˈwʊd ju ˈlaɪk səm ˈmɔː juːl ˈhæv ɪt]
 Affidavit, David, davit. [æfəˈdɛvɪt ˈdɛvɪd ˈdævɪt]
 To abjure, to perjure. Sheik [ˈtuː əbˈdʒʊə tʊ ˈpɜːdʒə ˈʃeɪk]
 Does not sound like Czech but ache. [ˈdʌz nɒt ˈsaʊnd laɪk ˈtʃek bʌt ˈeɪk]
 Liberty, library, heave and heaven, [lɪˈbɜːrɪ ˈlaɪbrəri ˈhiːv ənd ˈhevən]
 Rachel, loch, moustache, eleven. [ˈreɪtʃəl ˈlɒk ˈməʊstæʃ/məˈstæʃ ɪˈlevən]
 We say hallowed, but allowed, [wiː seɪ ˈhæləʊd bʌt əˈləʊd]
 People, leopard, towed but vowed. [ˈpiːpl ˈlepɜːd ˈtəʊd bʌt ˈvaʊd]

Mark the difference, moreover, [ˈmɑ:k ðə ˈdɪfrəns məˈrəʊvə]
 Between mover, plover, Dover. [brˈtwi:n ˈmʊvə ˈplɒvə ˈdəʊvə]
 Leeches, breeches, wise, precise, [ˈli:tʃɪz ˈbri:tʃɪz ˈwaɪz prɪˈsaɪs]
 Chalice, but police and lice, [ˈtʃælɪs bʌt pəˈli:s ənd ˈlaɪs]
 Camel, constable, unstable, [ˈkæməl ˈkɒnstəbəl ʌnˈsteɪbəl]
 Principle, disciple, label. [ˈprɪnsɪpəl dɪˈsɪpəl ˈleɪbəl]
 Petal, penal, and canal, [ˈpetəl ˈpi:nəl ənd kəˈnæl]
 Wait, surmise, plait, promise, pal, [ˈweɪt səˈmaɪz/ˈsəmaɪz ˈplæt ˈprɒmɪs ˈpæl]
 Suit, suite, ruin. Circuit, conduit [ˈsju:t ˈswi:t ˈru:ɪn ˈsɜ:kɪt ˈkɒndɪt]
 Rhyme with “shirk it” and “beyond it”, [raɪm wɪð ˈʃɜ:k ɪt ənd brɪˈjɒnd ɪt]
 But it is not hard to tell [bʌt ɪt ˈɪz nɒt ˈhɑ:d tʊ ˈtel]
 Why it’s pall, mall, but Pall Mall. [ˈwaɪ ɪts ˈpɔ:l ˈmɔ:l bʌt pelˈmel]
 Muscle, muscular, gaol, iron, [ˈmʌsəl ˈmʌskjələ ˈdʒeɪl ˈaɪən]
 Timber, climber, bullion, lion, [ˈtɪmbə ˈklaɪmə ˈbʊljən/ˈbʊljɒn ˈlaɪən]
 Worm and storm, chaise, chaos, chair, [ˈwɜ:m ənd ˈstɔ:m ˈʃeɪz ˈkɑ:ɒs ˈtʃeə]
 Senator, spectator, mayor, [ˈsenətə spekˈtətə ˈmeə]
 Ivy, privy, famous; clamour [ˈaɪvi ˈprɪvi ˈfeɪməs ˈklæmə]
 Has the a of drachm and hammer. [hæz ðɪ ˈeɪ əv ˈdræm ənd ˈhæmə]
 Pussy, hussy and possess, [ˈpʊsi ˈhʌsi ˈænd pəˈzɛs]
 Desert, but desert, address. [ˈdezət ˈbʌt dɪˈzɜ:t əˈdres]
 Golf, wolf, countenance, lieutenants [ˈɡɒlf ˈwʊlf ˈkaʊntənəns leɪˈtenənts]
 Hoist in lieu of flags left pennants. [ˈhɔɪst ɪn ˈli: əv ˈflægz leɪft ˈpenənts]
 Courier, courtier, tomb, bomb, comb, [ˈkʊri:ə ˈkɔ:ti:ə ˈtu:m ˈbɒm ˈkəʊm]
 Cow, but Cowper, some and home. [ˈkaʊ bʌt ˈku:pə ˈsʌm ənd ˈhəʊm]
 “Soldier, soldier! Blood is thicker”, [ˈsɒdə ˈsəʊldʒə ˈblʌd ɪz ˈθɪkə]
 Quoth he, “than liqueur or liquor”, [kwəʊθ hi ˈðæn lɪˈkɜ:/lɪkʊə/lɪkjʊə ɔ: ˈlɪkə]
 Making, it is sad but true, [ˈmeɪkɪŋ ɪt ɪz ˈsæd bʌt ˈtru:]
 In bravado, much ado. [ɪn brəˈvɑ:dəʊ mʌtʃ əˈdu:]
 Stranger does not rhyme with anger, [ˈstreɪndʒə ˈdʌz nɒt ˈraɪm wɪð ˈæŋɡə]
 Neither does devour with clangour. [ˈnaɪðə/ni:ðə ˈdʌz dɪˈvaʊə wɪð ˈklæŋɡə]
 Pilot, pivot, gaunt, but aunt, [ˈpaɪlət ˈpɪvət ˈɡɔ:nt bʌt ˈɑ:nt/ˈænt] (!!!)
 Font, front, wont, want, grand and grant. [fɒnt ˈfrʌnt ˈwɔ:nt/ˈwəʊnt/ˈwɒnt/ˈwɒnt
 ˈwɔ:nt/ˈwɒnt/ˈwɒnt ˈgrænd ənd ˈgrænt] (!!!)
 Arsenic, specific, scenic, [ˈɑ:sənɪk spɪˈsɪfɪk ˈsi:nɪk]
 Relic, rhetoric, hygienic. [ˈreɪlɪk ˈretərɪk ˌhaɪˈdʒi:nɪk]
 Gooseberry, goose, and close, but close, [ˈɡʊz,berɪ ˈɡu:s ənd ˈkləʊz bʌt ˈkləʊs]
 Paradise, rise, rose, and dose. [ˈpærəˌdaɪs ˈraɪz ˈrəʊz ənd ˈdəʊs]
 Say inveigh, neigh, but inveigle, [ˈseɪ ɪnˈveɪ ˈneɪ bʌt ɪnˈveɪɡəl/ɪnˈvi:ɡəl]
 Make the latter rhyme with eagle. [ˈmeɪk ðə ˈlætə ˈraɪm wɪð ˈi:ɡəl]
 Mind! Meandering but mean, [ˈmaɪnd mi:ˈændərɪŋ bʌt ˈmi:n]
 Valentine and magazine. [ˈvælənˌtaɪn ənd ˌmæɡəˈzi:n]
 And I bet you, dear, a penny, [ˈænd aɪ ˈbet ju ˈdiə ə ˈpenɪ]
 You say mani-(fold) like many, [ju ˈseɪ ˈmæniˌfəʊld laɪk ˈmeni]
 Which is wrong. Say rapier, pier, [ˈwɪtʃ ɪz ˈrɒŋ seɪ ˈreɪpi:ə ˈpiə]
 Tier (one who ties), but tier. [ˈtaɪə ˈwʌn hu: ˈtaɪz bʌt ˈtɪə]

Arch, archangel; pray, does erring ['ɑ:tʃ 'ɑ:k,eɪndʒəl 'preɪ dʌz 'ɜ:rɪŋ]
 Rhyme with herring or with stirring? ['raɪm wɪð 'herɪŋ 'ɔ: wɪð 'stɜ:rɪŋ]
 Prison, bison, treasure trove, ['prɪzən 'baɪsən 'treʒə 'trəʊv]
 Treason, hover, cover, cove, ['tri:zən 'həvə/'hɒvə 'kəvə 'kəʊv]
 Perseverance, severance. Ribald [ˌpɜ:sə'vɪərəns 'sevərəns 'rɪbəlð]
 Rhymes (but piebald doesn't) with nibbled. ['raɪmz bʌt 'paɪbɔ:ld 'dʌznt wɪð 'nɪbəlð]
 Phaeton, paeon, gnat, ghat, gnaw, ['feɪtən 'pi:ən 'næt 'gɔ:t 'nɔ:]
 Lien, psychic, shone, bone, pshaw. ['li:ən 'saɪkɪk 'ʃɒn 'bəʊn 'ʃɔ:]
 Don't be down, my own, but rough it, ['dəʊnt bi: 'daʊn maɪ 'əʊn bʌt 'rʌf ɪt]
 And distinguish buffet, buffet; ['ænd dɪs'tɪŋɡwɪʃ bu:'feɪ 'bʌfət]
 Brood, stood, roof, rook, school, wool, boon, [bru:d stʊd ru:f rʊk sku:l wʊl bu:n]
 Worcester, Boleyn, to impugn. ['wʊstə 'bʊlɪn 'tu: ɪmpju:n]
 Say in sounds correct and sterling ['seɪ ɪn 'saʊndz kə'rekt ənd 'stɜ:lɪŋ]
 Hearse, hear, hearken, year and yearling. ['hɜ:s 'hɪə 'hɑ:kən 'jɪər ənd 'jɜ:lɪŋ]
 Evil, devil, mezzotint, ['i:vɪl 'devɪl ,metzəʊ'tɪnt]
 Mind the z! (A gentle hint.) ['maɪnd ðə 'zi: ə 'dʒentəl 'hɪnt]
 Now you need not pay attention ['nəʊ ju 'ni:d nɒt 'peɪ ə'tenʃən]
 To such sounds as I don't mention, [tu: sʌtʃ 'saʊndz əz 'aɪ dəʊnt 'menʃən]
 Sounds like pores, pause, pours and paws, ['saʊndz laɪk 'pɔ:z 'pɔ:z 'pɔ:z ənd 'pɔ:z]
 Rhyming with the pronoun yours; ['raɪmɪŋ wɪð ðə 'prəʊ,nəʊn 'jɔ:z]
 Nor are proper names included, ['nɔ:r ɑ: 'prɒpə 'neɪmz ɪn'klu:dɪd]
 Though I often heard, as you did, ['ðəʊ aɪ 'ɔ:fən 'hɜ:d əz 'ju: dɪd]
 Funny rhymes to unicorn, ['fʌnɪ 'raɪmz tu 'ju:nɪ'kɔ:n]
 Yes, you know them, Vaughan and Strachan. ['jes ju 'nəʊ ðəm 'vɔ:n ənd 'strɔ:ʃən]
 No, my maiden, coy and comely, ['nəʊ maɪ 'meɪdən 'kɔɪ ənd 'kɒmlɪ]
 I don't want to speak of Cholmondeley. ['aɪ dənt 'wɒnt tə 'spi:k əv 'tʃɒmlɪ]
 No. Yet Froude compared with proud ['nəʊ jet 'fru:d cəm'peəd wɪð 'praʊd]
 Is no better than McLeod. ['ɪz nəʊ 'betə 'ðæn mæk'laʊd]
 But mind trivial and vial, ['bʌt maɪnd 'trɪvi:əl ənd 'vaɪəl]
 Tripod, menial, denial, ['traɪpɒd 'mi:ni:əl/'mi:njəl dɪ'naɪəl]
 Troll and trolley, realm and ream, ['trɒl ənd 'trɒlɪ 'reɪlm ənd 'ri:m]
 Schedule, mischief, schism, and scheme. ['ʃedju:l 'mɪstʃɪf 'sɪzəm/'skɪzəm/'ʃɪzəm ənd
 'ski:m]
 Argil, gill, Argyll, gill. Surely ['ɑ:dʒɪl 'gɪl 'ɑ:ɡɪl 'dʒɪl 'ʃɔ:lɪ]
 May be made to rhyme with Raleigh, ['meɪ bi: 'meɪd tə 'raɪm wɪð 'reɪlɪ]
 But you're not supposed to say ['bʌt juə 'nɒt sə'pəʊzd tə 'seɪ]
 Piquet rhymes with sobriquet. ['pɪket/pɪ'keɪ raɪmz wɪð ,səʊbrɪ'keɪ/,səʊbrɪ'ket]
 Had this invalid invalid [həd ðɪs 'ɪnvə,lɪd ɪn'vælɪd]
 Worthless documents? How pallid, ['wɜ:θlɪs 'dɒkjəmənts haʊ 'pælɪd]
 How uncouth he, couchant, looked, ['haʊ ʌn'ku:θ hi: 'kaʊtʃənt 'lʊkt]
 When for Portsmouth I had booked! ['wen fɔ: 'pɔ:tsməθ 'aɪ hæd 'bʊkt]
 Zeus, Thebes, Thales, Aphrodite, ['zu:s 'θi:bz 'θeɪlɪz ,æfrə'daɪti:]
 Paramour, enamoured, flighty, ['pærə,mʊə ɪn'æməd 'flaɪtɪ]
 Episodes, antipodes, ['epɪ,səʊdz ən'tɪpə,dɪz]
 Acquiesce, and obsequies. [ækwi:.'es ənd 'ɒbsəkwi:z]

Please don't monkey with the geyser, [ˈpliːz dəʊnt ˈmʌŋkiː ˈwɪð ðə ˈgeɪzə]
 Don't peel 'taters with my razor, [ˈdəʊnt piːl ˈteɪtəz ˈwɪð maɪ ˈreɪzə]
 Rather say in accents pure: [ˈrɑːðə ˈseɪ ɪn ˈæksents ˈpjʊə]
 Nature, stature and mature. [ˈneɪtʃə ˈstætʃər ˈænd məˈtʃʊə]
 Pious, impious, limb, climb, glumly, [ˈpaɪəs ˈɪmpɪ.əs/ɪmˈpaɪ.əs ˈlɪm ˈklaɪm ˈɡlʌmli]
 Worsted, worsted, crumbly, dumbly, [ˈwʊstɪd ˈwɜːstɪd ˈkrʌmblɪ ˈdʌmli]
 Conquer, conquest, vase, phase, fan, [ˈkɒŋkə ˈkɒŋkwɛst/'kɒŋkwɛst ˈvaːz ˈfeɪz ˈfæn]
 Wan, sedan and artisan. [ˈwɒn sɪˈdæn ænd ɑːtɪˈzæn]
 The th will surely trouble you [ðə ˈtiː ˈeɪtʃ wɪl ˈʃʊəli ˈtrʌbəl juː]
 More than r, ch or w. [mɔː ˈðæn ˈɑː ˈsiː ˈeɪtʃ ɔː ˈdʌbəl juː]
 Say then these phonetic gems: [ˈseɪ ðən ˈðiːz fəˈnetɪk ˈdʒemz]
 Thomas, thyme, Theresa, Thames. [ˈtɒməs ˈtaɪm təˈreɪsə/təˈreɪzə ˈtemz]
 Thompson, Chatham, Waltham, Streatham, [ˈtɒmsən ˈtʃætəm ˈwɔːlt,hæm/wɔːltəm
 ˈstretəm]
 There are more but I forget 'em— [ðeər ɑː ˈmɔː bʌt ˈaɪ fəˈɡetəm]
 Wait! I've got it: Anthony, [ˈweɪt aɪv ˈɡɒt ɪt ˈæntəni] (!!!)
 Lighten your anxiety. [ˈlaɪtən ˈjɔːr æŋˈzaɪəti] (!!!)
 The archaic word albeit [ðɪ ɑː ˈkeɪ.ɪk ˈwɜːd ɔːlˈbiːt]
 Does not rhyme with eight—you see it; [ˈdʌz nɒt ˈraɪm wɪð ˈeɪt ju ˈsiː ɪt]
 With and forthwith, one has voice, [ˈwɪð ænd fɔːθˈwɪθ ˈwʌn hæz ˈvoɪs]
 One has not, you make your choice. [ˈwʌn hæz ˈnɒt ju ˈmeɪk jə ˈtʃɔɪs]
 Shoes, goes, does. Now first say: finger; [ʃuːz ˈɡəʊz ˈdʌz naʊ ˈfɜːst seɪ ˈfɪŋɡə]
 Then say: singer, ginger, linger. [ðen seɪ ˈsɪŋə ˈdʒɪŋdʒə ˈlɪŋɡə]
 Real, zeal, mauve, gauze and gauge, [riː.əl/riːl ˈziːl ˈmɔːv/'məʊv ˈɡɔːz ænd ˈɡeɪdʒ]
 Marriage, foliage, mirage, age, [ˈmæɪrɪdʒ ˈfəʊliː.ɪdʒ mɪˈrɑːʒ ˈeɪdʒ]
 Hero, heron, query, very, [ˈhɪrəʊ ˈherən ˈkwɪri/'kwɛri ˈveri]
 Parry, tarry fury, bury, [ˈpæri/'pɛri ˈtæri/'teri ˈfjʊri ˈberi]
 Dost, lost, post, and doth, cloth, loth, [ˈdʌst ˈlɔːst ˈpəʊst ænd ˈdʌθ ˈclɔːθ ˈləʊθ]
 Job, Job, blossom, bosom, oath. [ˈdʒɒb ˈdʒəʊb ˈblɒsəm ˈbʊzəm ˈəʊθ]
 Faugh, oppugnant, keen oppugners, [fɔː(k) əˈpjuːnənt ˈkiːn əˈpjuːnəz]
 Bowing, bowing, banjo-tuners [ˈbəʊɪŋ ˈbaʊɪŋ ˌbændʒəʊˈtjuːnəz]
 Holm you know, but noes, canoes, [ˈhəʊm ju ˈnəʊ bʌt ˈnəʊz kəˈnuːz]
 Puisne, truism, use, to use? [ˈpjuːni ˈtruː.ɪzəm ˈjuːs tu ˈjuːz]
 Though the difference seems little, [ðəʊ ðə ˈdɪfərəns/'dɪfrəns ˈsiːmz ˈlɪtəl]
 We say actual, but victual, [ˈwiː seɪ ˈæktʃʊəl ˈbʌt ˈvɪtəl]
 Seat, sweat, chaste, caste, Leigh, eight, height, [siːt ˈswet ˈtʃeɪst ˈkaɪst ˈliː ˈeɪt ˈhaɪt]
 Put, nut, granite, and unite. [ˈpʊt ˈnʌt ˈɡræɪnɪt ˈænd ju ˈnaɪt]
 Reefer does not rhyme with deafer, [ˈriːfə ˈdʌz nɒt ˈraɪm wɪð ˈdefə]
 Feoffer does, and zephyr, heifer. [ˈfefə ˈdʌz ænd ˈzefə ˈhefə]
 Dull, bull, Geoffrey, George, ate, late, [ˈdʌl ˈbʊl ˈdʒɛfrɪ ˈdʒɔːdʒ ˈet/ɛɪt ˈleɪt]
 Hint, pint, senate, but sedate. [ˈhɪnt ˈpaɪnt ˈsenət ˈbʌt sɪˈdeɪt]
 Gaelic, Arabic, pacific, [ˈɡeɪlɪk/'gæɪlɪk/'ɡɑːlɪk ˈærəbɪk pəˈsɪfɪk]
 Science, conscience, scientific; [ˈsaɪəns ˈkɒnsɪəns ˌsaɪənˈtɪfɪk]
 Tour, but our, dour, succour, four, [ˈtuə bʌt ˈaʊə/'ɑː ˈduə/'daʊə ˈsʌkə ˈfɔː]
 Gas, alas, and Arkansas. [ˈɡæs əˈlæs ænd ˈɑːkən,sɔː]

Say manoeuvre, yacht and vomit, [ˈseɪ məˈnju:və ˈjɒt ənd ˈvɒmɪt]
 Next omit, which differs from it [ˈnekst əvˈmɪt wɪtʃ ˈdɪfəz ˈfrɒm ɪt]
 Bona fide, alibi [ˈbɒnəˌfaɪdɪ ˈæliˌbaɪ]
 Gyrate, dowry and awry. [ˈdʒaɪˌreɪt ˈdaʊrɪ ˈænd əˈraɪ]
 Sea, idea, guinea, area, [ˈsiː aɪˈdiː.ə ˈɡɪni ˈeriː.ə/ˈeɪ riː.ə]
 Psalm, Maria, but malaria. [ˈsɑːm məˈriːə ˈbʌt məˈleəriː.ə]
 Youth, south, southern, cleanse and clean, [ˈjuːθ ˈsaʊθ ˈsʌðən ˈklenz ənd ˈkliːn]
 Doctrine, turpentine, marine. [ˈdɒktrɪn ˈtɜːpənˌtaɪn məˈriːn]
 Compare alien with Italian, [kəmˈpeə ˈæliː.ən wɪð ɪˈtæljən/aɪˈtæljən/]
 Dandelion with battalion, [ˈdændlɪˌlaɪən wɪð bəˈtæljən]
 Rally with ally; yea, ye, [ˈræli wɪð əˈlaɪ ˈjeɪ ˈjiː]
 Eye, I, ay, aye, whey, key, quay! [ˈaɪ ˈaɪ ˈaɪ ˈeɪ ˈweɪ ˈkiː ˈkiː/ˈkeɪ/ˈkweɪ]
 Say aver, but ever, fever, [ˈseɪ əˈvɜː bʌt ˈevə ˈfiːvə]
 Neither, leisure, skein, receiver. [ˈnaɪðə/ˈniːðə ˈliːʒə/ˈleɪʒə/ˈleɪʒə ˈskeɪn rɪˈsiːvə]
 Never guess—it is not safe, [ˈnevə ˈges ɪt ˈɪz nɒt ˈseɪf]
 We say calves, valves, half, but Ralf. [ˈwiː seɪ ˈkɑːvz ˈvælvz ˈhɑːf bʌt ˈreɪf/ˈrɑːf/ˈrɑːlf]
 Starry, granary, canary, [ˈstɑːrɪ ˈɡreɪnəri/ˈɡrænəri kəˈneəri]
 Crevice, but device, and eyrie, [ˈkrevɪs ˈbʌt dɪˈvaɪs ənd ˈeəri/ˈɪəri/ˈeəri]
 Face, but preface, then grimace, [ˈfeɪs bʌt ˈprefəs ˈðen ɡrɪˈmeɪs/ˈɡrɪməs]
 Phlegm, phlegmatic, ass, glass, bass. [ˈflem ˈflegˈmætɪk ˈæs ɡlɑːs ˈbeɪs]
 Bass, large, target, gin, give, verging, [ˈbæs ˈlɑːdʒ ˈtɑːɡɪt ˈdʒɪn ˈɡɪv vɜːdʒɪŋ]
 Ought, oust, joust, and scour, but scourging; [ɔːt ˈaʊst ˈdʒaʊst/ˈdʒɔːst ɪt ənd ˈskaʊs
 bʌt ˈskɜːdʒɪŋ/ˈskɔːdʒɪŋ/ˈskʊədʒɪŋ]
 Ear, but earn; and ere and tear [ɪə bʌt ˈɜːn ənd ˈeə ənd ˈteə]
 Do not rhyme with here but heir. [ˈduː nɒt ˈraɪm wɪð ˈhɪə bʌt ˈeə]
 Mind the o of off and often [ˈmaɪnd ðə ˈəʊ əv ˈɔːf ənd ˈɔːfən/ɔːftən]
 Which may be pronounced as orphan, [ˈwɪtʃ meɪ ˈbiː prəˈnaʊnst əz ˈɔːfən]
 With the sound of saw and sauce; [wɪð ðə ˈsaʊnd əv ˈsɔː ənd ˈsɔːs]
 Also soft, lost, cloth and cross. [ɔːlsɒt ˈsɒft/ˈsɔːft ˈlɒst/ˈlɔːst ˈklɒθ/ˈklɔːθ ənd ˈkrɒs/ˈkrɔːs]
 Pudding, puddle, putting. Putting? [ˈpuːdɪŋ ˈpʌdəl ˈpuːtɪŋ ˈpʌtɪŋ]
 Yes: at golf it rhymes with shutting. [jes ət ˈɡɒlf ɪt ˈraɪmz wɪð ˈʃʌtɪŋ]
 Respite, spite, consent, resent. [ˈrespɪt/ˈresˌpaɪt ˈspaɪt kənˈsent rɪˈzent]
 Liable, but Parliament. [ˈlaɪəbəl bʌt ˈpɑːləmənt]
 Seven is right, but so is even, [ˈsevən ɪz ˈraɪt bʌt ˈsəʊ ɪz ˈiːvən]
 Hyphen, roughen, nephew, Stephen, [ˈhaɪfən ˈrʌfən ˈnevjuː/ˈnefjuː ˈstiːvən]
 Monkey, donkey, clerk and jerk, [ˈmʌŋki ˈdɒŋki/ˈdɔːŋki ˈklaːk/ˈklɜːk ənd ˈdʒɜːk]
 Asp, grasp, wasp, demesne, cork, work. [æsp ˈɡræsp ˈwɒsp/ˈwɔːsp dɪˈmem/dɪˈmiːn kɔːk
 wɜːk]
 A of valour, vapid vapour, [ˈeɪ əv ˈvælə ˈvæpɪd/ˈveɪpɪd ˈveɪpə]
 S of news (compare newspaper), [es əv ˈnjuːz kəmˈpeə ˈnjuːzˌpeɪpə/ˈnjuːzˌpeɪpə]
 G of gibbet, gibbon, gist, [ˈdʒɪː əv ˈdʒɪbɪt ˈɡɪbən ˈdʒɪst]
 I of antichrist and grist, [ˈaɪ əv ˈæntɪˌkraɪst/ˈæntaɪˌkraɪst ənd ˈɡrɪst]
 Differ like diverse and divers, [ˈdɪfə ˈlaɪk daɪˈvɜːs ənd ˈdaɪvəz]
 Rivers, strivers, shivers, fivers. [ˈrɪvəz ˈstraɪvəz ˈʃɪvəz ˈfaɪvəz]
 Once, but nonce, toll, doll, but roll, [wʌns bʌt ˈnɒns ˈtɔːl ˈdɒl/ˈdɔːl bʌt ˈrɔːl]
 Polish, Polish, poll and poll. [ˈpɒlɪʃ ˈpəʊlɪʃ ˈpəʊl ənd ˈpəʊl] (!!!)

Pronunciation—think of Psyche!— [prəˌnaɪsɪˈeɪʃən ˈθɪŋk əv ˈsaɪkɪ]
 Is a paling, stout and spiky. [ɪz ə ˈpeɪlɪŋ ˈstaut ənd ˈspɑɪkɪ]
 Won't it make you lose your wits [wəʊnt ɪt ˈmeɪk jʊ ˈluːz jə ˈwɪts]
 Writing groats and saying “grits”? [ˈraɪtɪŋ ˈgrəʊts/ˈgrɪts ənd ˈseɪ.ɪŋ ˈgrɪts]
 It's a dark abyss or tunnel [ɪts ə ˈdɑːk əˈbɪs ɔː ˈtʌnəl]
 Strewn with stones like rowlock, gunwale, [ˈstruːn wɪð ˈstəʊnz lɑːk ˈrɒlək/ˈrɔːlək ˈɡʌnəl]
 Islington, and Isle of Wight, [ɪzɪŋlɪŋtən ənd ˈaɪl əv ˈwaɪt]
 Housewife, verdict and indict. [ˈhaʊsˌwaɪf/ˈhʌzəf ˈvɜːdɪkt ənd ɪnˈdɪkt]
 Don't you think so, reader, rather, [dɒnt jʊ ˈθɪŋk səʊ ˈriːdə ˈrɑːðə]
 Saying lather, bather, father? [ˈseɪ.ɪŋ ˈlæðə ˈbeɪðə ˈfɑːðə]
 Finally, which rhymes with enough, [ˈfɑːnəlɪ ˈwɪtʃ ˈraɪmz wɪð ɪˈnʌf]
 Though, through, bough, cough, hough, sough, tough?? [ðəʊ ˈθruː ˈbaʊ ˈkɒf ˈhʌk
 ˈsaʊ/sʌf ˈtʌf]
 Hiccough has the sound of sup... [ˈhɪkʌp ˈhæz ðə ˈsaʊnd əv ˈsʌp]
 My advice is: GIVE IT UP! [ˈmaɪ ədˈvaɪs ɪz ˈɡɪv ɪt ˈʌp]

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The IPA chart for English (British pronunciation)

p	pen, tip		
b	but, web		
t	two, bet	ɑː	father, arm
d	do, odd	iː	see
tʃ	chair, teach	ɪ	city
dʒ	joy, edge	e	bed
k	cat, thick	ɜː	bird
g	go, beg	æ	cat, ran
f	fool, leaf	ʌ	run, enough
v	voice, have	ɒ	not, wasp
θ	thing, teeth	ɔː	law, caught
ð	this, breathe	ʊ	put
s	see, pass	uː	soon, through
z	zoo, rose	ə	about, winner
ʃ	she, leash		
ʒ	pleasure, beige	eɪ	day
h	ham	aɪ	my
m	man	ɔɪ	boy
n	no	əʊ (oʊ)	no
ŋ	singer, ring	aʊ	now
l	left, bell	ɪə	near, here
r (ɹ)	run, very	ɛə	hair, there
w	we	ʊə	tour
j	yes		

The L^AT_EX source using tipa.sty commands

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