

# A CHOICE FROM THREE TOPICS BY A LIFELONG ENTHUSIAST IN ENGLISH

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# Please vote for the topic you do <u>NOT</u> wish to hear about:

a)

Bilingualism at the TomCat Playgroup

**b**)

English or Czenglish Pronunciation

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Anglická výslovnost pro nadšence i profesionály

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**English in song lyrics** 





## a) Bilingualism at the TomCat Playgroup

#### **Priorities:**

- 1 Safety & Security
- 2 Politeness, Manners
- 3 English

All was facilitated by hierarchy.





### b) English or Czenglish Pronunciation

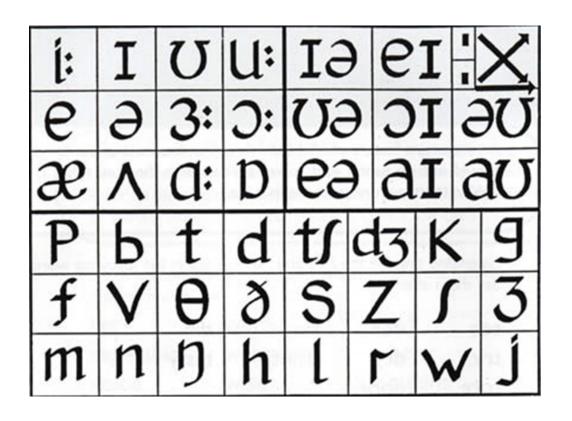
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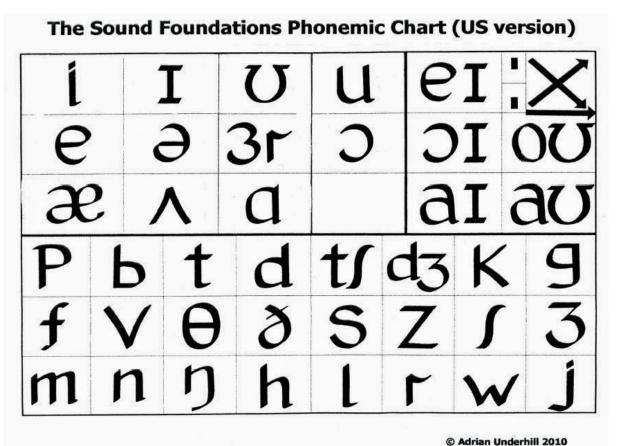
#### Anglická výslovnost pro nadšence i profesionály

- Meant for students, teachers, scholars, researchers, business people, artists and anyone else striving for **comfortable intelligibility** communicating in English.
- Lists common pronunciation errors and ways to avoid them.
- Stresses the importance of suprasegmental features.



#### Pronunciation charts of RP (GB) and GenAm







# 5 features of English pronunciation that make the difference between harshly foreign and more authentic accents:

- 1 STRESS (2 ASSOCIATED ASPIRATION OF /p/, /t/, /k/)
- 3 REDUCTIONS
- 4 VOICING
- **5 LINKING / LIAISON**

I organized events in a hotel. A unique performance. Camden Town. My name's Tom.

# Recurrent pronunciation errors at bachelor and master defences

Segmental: th voiced: the other x the udder th voiceless: thousand, mythical open ash: static, chapter, Germanic, classified, pragmatic

Liaison: in terms\_ of\_ importance, of\_ other\_ elements, impressive\_ accomplishment, co'mmunicative\_ goal



#### Recurrent pronunciation errors 2

**Misplaced stresses:** 'admirable, characte'ristic, co'mmunicate, con'sider, con'tinue, con'tribute, con'vincing, hi'storical, intelligi'bility, it'self, par'ticular, per 'cent, persu'asive, phe'nomenon, suc'cessful

Mispronounced names: Grice, Trudgill, Deborah, Sarah, Noah



### Recurrent pronunciation errors 3

Mispronounced words: ambi'guity, to 'analyse, a'nonymous, s/he 'analyses, a'nalysis sg., a'nalyses pl., basic, change, com'pose, com'ponent, con'sist, cri'terion, de'cisive, de'cision, de'termine, di'mension, di'ploma, e'xamine, focus, half, hy'pothesis sg., hy'potheses pl., insist, le'gitimite, novel, o'ccur, o'ccurrence, own, problem, 'process, pro'cession, psycho'logical, their, they're, theo'retical, theore'tician, theorist, theory, thesis, theses, u'nanimous



## c) English in song lyrics

see U3V paper

