

## A COLLECTION OF PRONUNCIATION ERRORS

ABANDONED

ABROAD

ACCEPT x EXCEPT

**ACCESSORY**

to ACCOMPANY; ACCOMPANIED

**ACHE (HEADACHE)**

ACHIEVEMENT

**ACQUAINTANCE**

**ADAPT x ADOPT**

**ADDITIONAL**

**ADJACENT**

**ADJECTIVE, ADJECTIVAL**

ADMIRE x ADMIRABLE

**ADO**

**ADOBE READER**

**ADVERTISEMENT x ADVERTISING x ADVERT**

**AEON**

AERIAL

**AEROBICS**

AFFIDAVIT

**AGILE**

AISLE; to walk down the aisle

ALASKA

ALLEGIANCE

to ALLOW, an ALLOWANCE

**ALMOND**

**ALSO**

**ALTAR**

**AMIABLE**

**AMICABLE**

**ANALOGY**

**ANALYSIS**, pl. **ANALYSES**

to **ANALYSE** – 3rd pers.sg. he/she **ANALYSES**

**ANATHEMA**

**ANCHOR**

**ANGELES (L.A.) x ANGLES**

**ANT, ANTEATER**

**ANXIETY**

**APOSTROPHE, CATASTROPHE**

**APPETITE**

**ARAB, ARABIC**

**AREN'T**

**ALBEIT**

**ARCHAIC**

**ARCHANGEL x ARCHBISHOP**

**ARCHIPELAGO**

**ARCHITECT(URE)**

**ARCTIC**

**AREA**

*Aspirations: if they're missing after ptk under stress  
they're perceived as bdg.*

*Recent confusion: POMPEI x BOMBAY*

**ASSESSMENT**

**ASSOCIATED**

**ASTHMA**

**ATHLETE x ATHLETICS**

**ATROCIOUS**

**ATYPICAL**

**AUBERGINE**

**AUNT**

**AUSTRALIA**

**AUTOMOBILE**

**AWE**

**BABEL**

**BALD x BOLD**

**BALET**

**the BALKANS**

**BALM**

**BANAL**

**BASIC, BASICALLY**

**BASS (in music) x BASS (fish)**

**BEAR**

**BEARD x BIRD**

**BEELZEBUB**

**BELARUS**

**BELOVED**

**BERET**

**BIRMINGHAM**

**BLOOD**

**BOAST x BOOST**

**BOMB**

**BOROUGH**

**BOUGH a branch**

**BOUGHT**

**BOW a ribbon, a tie = a BOW and arrow  
to BOW to the audience**

**BRAZIL**

BREATH x to BREATHE  
**BRISTOL x BRISTLE**  
**BROCHURE**  
**BROOCH**  
**BUDDHA, BUDDHISM**  
BULLET  
**BULLOCK**  
BULLY  
BUSH  
BUTCHER  
**BUTTOCKS**  
**CACHE**  
**CAESAR SALAD, CAESAREAN SECTION**  
CAFÉ – CAFFE - COFFEE  
**CAMBRIDGE**  
**CAMEL**  
CANAL x KENNEL  
**CANOE**  
CAPABLE  
**CAREER x CARRIER**  
CARNIVORE  
**CASTLE**  
**CATHOLIC, CATHOLICISM**  
**CAUCASIAN**  
**CEDAR**  
**CENSURE**  
**CERAMIC**  
**CHALET**  
CHAMPAGNE  
**CHANDELIER**

CHANGE, RANGE, STRANGE  
CHARACTER, CHARACTERISTIC  
CHASM  
CHEF  
CHEMISTRY  
CHICAGO  
**CHILE**  
**CHIMERA**  
CHOIR  
**CIRCUIT, CIRCUMSTANCES**  
CLAW  
**CLEANSE x CLEAN**  
**CLERK**  
CLIMB, CLIMBER – THUMB – DUMB  
**CLOTHES x CLOTHS**  
**COAST x COST**  
COCA-COLA  
COLONEL  
**COLUMN**  
**COLLEAGUE**  
**COMB**  
COMFORTABLE  
**COMPANY**  
**COMPONENT**  
**COMRADE**  
**CONCERTO**  
CONSCIENCE (x SCIENCE), CONSCIENTIOUS, -LY  
CONSCIOUSNESS  
**CONSEQUENCE x SEQUENCE**  
**CONSIST, INSIST**

**CORPS**

COUGH

COUNTRY

COURSE x CURSE

a COVE

**COVER x COWARD**

to CREATE - CREATION – CREATURE

**CRETE**

**CROOKED**

CRUISE

**CUPBOARD**

CUSHION

**CUTICLE**

**CZECH**

DAGGER

**DAIRY**

**DEAF**

**DEBRIS**

DEBT, DEBTOR

**DECADE x DECAY**

DECLINE

DECORATIVE

**DELETE**

DEMOSTHENES

**DEPTH**

**DESCENT**

DESERT x to DESERT, a DESSERT

DETERMINED

DEVIL x EVIL

DIARRHEA, DIARRHOE

**DIFFER**

**DILATE**

**DILEMMA**

**DIPHtheria**

**DIVORCED**

**DON'T**

**DOUBT**

**DOUGH**

**DOVE**

**DOZEN**

**DRAUGHT**

**DREARY**

**DROUGHT**

**DUCAT**

**DYNASTY**

**ECHO**

**ECONOMY, ECONOMIST, ECONOMICS,  
ECONOMETRICS, ECONOMICIZATION**

**EDINBURGH**

**EGYPT**

**ELABORATE adj., to ELABORATE**

**ELECTORAL**

**ELITE**

**ENDEAVOUR**

**to ENDOW**

**ENGINE**

**EPOCH(AL)**

**ERUDITE**

**ESPRESSO**

**EUROPEAN**

EVENT

EWE a female sheep

to **EXAMINE**

**EXCURSION, INCURSION**

**EXPENSIVE**

**EXPERTISE**

**FAÇADE**

FEUD

FIANCÉ, FIANCÉE

**FIGURE**

**FINALE**

**FINANCE**

FLOUR FLOWER FLOOR

FOCUS

**FOLK**

**FORTE**

**FRAUD x FREUD**

**FRONT**

**FRUIT**

GAOL

**GARAGE**

**GAUGE**

**GENERAL**

**GENRE**

GENUINE

GESTURE

**GIGANTIC**

GIGGLE

**GINGER**

**GLOUCESTER**

GLOVES  
to **GNAW**  
**GNOME**  
GORGEOUS  
**GRAPEFRUIT**  
**GREENWICH**  
**GRIND**  
**GUINEA-PIG**  
GYNAECOLOGIST  
**HACKNEYED**  
**HARASSMENT**  
**HARE**  
**HEARSE**  
**HEAVE x HEAVEN x HAVEN**  
**HEIR**  
**HELIUM, HELIX**  
**HEPATITIS**  
**HEROINE x HERO**  
HIATUS  
HIDEOUS  
HIERARCHY, HIERARCHICAL  
**HI-FI**  
HIGH x HEIGHT  
HILARIOUS  
**HOMOGENEOUS**  
HONEST, HONOUR  
**HOSTEL**  
HOTEL  
**HYMN**  
**HYPERBOLE**

HYPERMARKET  
HYPOTHESIS, -ES  
**IKEA**  
**INDECISIVE**  
INNATE  
INSECTICIDE  
INSIST  
**INSOLENT**  
**INSOUCIANT**  
**INTERESTING, INTERESTED**  
**INTRINSIC**  
**IRON**  
ISLAND x ICELAND;  
ISLE OF ..., ISLET a little one  
**ISOSCELES**  
ISSUE  
ITINERARY  
**JAGUAR**  
**JAPAN, JAPANESE**  
**KEY**  
**KINDLING**  
**KNEAD**  
**KNIFE**  
KNIGHT  
**LAMB**  
**LAPEL**  
LAUGH(TER)  
**LAUREATE**  
LEAD (UNLEADED PETROL)  
LEICESTER

**LEONARD x LEO**  
**LEVIATHAN**  
**LEVI'S**  
**LETHAL**  
**LIEU**  
**LIEUTENANT**  
**LILAC**  
**LINEN x LINING**  
**LONGEVITY**  
**LONGING**  
**LOW x LAW**  
**MACABRE**  
**MACHETE**  
**MADRID**  
**MAGI**  
**MANIAC, MANIACAL**  
**MARGARINE**  
**MARGIN, -AL**  
**MASSACRE**  
**MASSAGE**  
**MATTE**  
**MAURICIUS**  
**MAYONNAISE**  
**MAYOR, MAYORAL**  
**MEDIA, to MEDIATE x IMMEDIATE**  
**MEDIEVAL**  
**MELEE**  
**MIGRAINE**  
**MINIATURE**  
**MINUTE (60 seconds) x MINUTE (very little)**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**MODEL**

**MOLE**

**MONTH**

**MOSQUITO**

**MOUE**

**MOUSTACHE**

**NAÏVE, NAÏVETY**

**NAPLES**

**NATION x NATIONAL**

**NATURE x NATURAL**

the NOBEL Prize

**NOMINALISATION**

**NOVEL**

to OCCUR, OCCURRENCE

**OBSTINATE**

**OCCUPATION**

**OLD**

**OMIT, OMISSION**

**OMNISCIENT**

**ONLY**

**OPPORTUNITY**

**ORCHARD**

**OVEN**

**OWL**

to OWN; my OWN

**PALM**

**PARENT**

**PARIAH**

**PARLIAMENT**

**PARQUET**

**PARTICIPANT**

**PARTICULAR**

**PASTICHE**

**PASTORAL**

**PATIO**

**PATROL x PETROL**

a PEAR (the fruit) as opposed to a PIER x to PURR

**PENAL**

**PER CENT**

**PERCHANCE**

**PERSON x PERSONAL x PERSONNEL**

**PHARAOH; pharaoh ants**

**THE PHILIPPINES**

**PHONETICS, PHONETICIAN**

**PHOTOGRAPH, PHOTOGRAPHY**

**PHTHISIS**

**PICTURESQUE**

**PILATES**

**PINAFORE**

**PISCES**

**PLAGUE**

**PLAIT**

**PLAQUE**

**PLUMB x PLUMP**

**PLUMBER**

**PNEUMATIC DRILL**

**PNEUMONIA**

**POEM**

**Polish x POLISH**

POLL

POSSESSION

POST

**POUR**

a PREFACE to a book

PRICE cost x PRIZE award

PRIORITY

**PRIVACY**

PROBLEM

PROLOGUE

PROSTHETIC

**PSALM**

PSORIASIS

PSYCHIATRY, -IST

PSYCHOLOGY, -IST

**PUBLIC**

**PUPIL** the same pron. for 'student' and 'eye'

PURCHASE

**PURE**

**PUT, PUTT**

**QUARTZ**

**QUAY**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

QUEUE

**RAPPORT**

**Reading x reading**

**RECEIPT**

**RECIPE**

A RECORD; TO RECORD

**REFER, REFERRED TO, REFERENCE**

REHEARSAL, TO REHEARSE

**REPUGNANT**

**RESERVOIR**

**RESTAURANT**

**REVOLUTION**

RHETORICS x RHETORIC adj.

ROGUE x ROUGE

ROOT x ROUTE x **ROUTER**

**ROW** (a line) x **ROW** (a quarrel)

**SACCHARIDE**

SALMON

SCARCE, -LY

SCENE, SCENERY

SCHEME

SCHIZOPHRENIA, -IC

SCIATICA

SCYTHE x SCATHE (to escape unscathed)

**SEISMIC**

**SEMIOTICS**

to SEPARATE x SEPARATE (adj.) lives

to SEVER = separate x SEVERE cold

**SHARED**

SHOT x SHOOT

**SHOULD**

SIEVE

**SIMILE**

**SINCERELY**

SINGER

**SLOTH**

**SOLUTION**

**SOME**

**SOUR**

**SPAGHETTI**

**STEINBECK (JOHN)**

**SUBTLE**

**SUCCESS**

**SUEDE**

**SUFFICE**

**SUICIDE**

**SUIT x SUITE**

**SUPER**

**SURFACE**

**SURVEILLANCE**

**SURVEY**

**SWAN**

**SWEAT x SWEET, SWEATER**

**WORD**

**SYNTAX**

**TARGET**

**TEAR-TORE-TORN as opposed to crying TEARS**

**TECHNICAL**

**TEMPLATE**

**THEATRICAL**

**THEIR**

**THERMOMETER**

**THESAURUS**

**THESIS, -ES**

**THOROUGH – THOROUGHLY –**

**THOROUGHFARE**

**THROUGH**

THROUGHOUT

THRILLER - TRAILER

TOBACCO

TOMB RAIDER

**TOWARD**

**TREASURE**

**TRIPARTITE**

TROUGH

**TSAR**

20th – PRETTIER – the LOVELIEST

**UKRAINE**

**UNIT, UNITED, UNITY**

UNIVERSITY

**UNPRECEDENTED**

**URBAN**

URGE, URGENT

a USE x to USE, an ABUSE x to ABUSE

**USUALLY**

VALLEY x WALLET x VALET

**VARIABLE**

VEGETABLE

**VEHICLE**

VENEREAL

VENOM, -OUS (poison, -ous)

VENOUS (e.g. intravenous, into the vein)

VENUS planet

**VICIOUS**

**VILLAGE**

VINEYARD

VISCOUNT  
VOLLEYBALL  
VOW  
VOYAGE  
WARY x WEARY  
WEAR  
WEIRD  
WHILST  
WICKED  
WI-FI  
WILD x WILDERNESS  
WILT  
WIND – WOUND - WOUND  
WOLF  
WOMB  
WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE  
WORD  
WORK  
WORLD  
WORRIED  
WOUND  
WRATH  
WREATH  
XENOPHOBIA  
XYLOPHONE  
YACHT  
YAWN  
ZOO  
ZOOLOGY

