

# 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

**AGENDA**

AGILE

AISLE; to walk down the aisle; see ISLE

ALASKA

ALLEGIANCE

to ALLOW, an ALLOWANCE

ALMOND

ALSO

ALTAR

AMATEUR

AMIABLE

AMICABLE

ANALOGY

ANALYSIS, pl. ANALYSES

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

ANATHEMA

ANCHOR

ANGELES (L.A.) x ANGLES

ANONYMOUS x UNANIMOUS

ANT, ANTEATER

ANXIETY

**APOCALYPSE**

APOSTROPHE, CATASTROPHE

APPETITE

**AQUARIUS**

ARAB, ARABIC

AREN'T

ALBEIT

APARTHEID

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

AWRY

BABEL

BALD x BOLD

BALLET

the BALKANS

BALM

BANAL

BASIC, BASICALLY

BASS (in music) x BASS (fish)

BEAR

BEARD x BIRD

BEELZEBUB

BELARUS

BELOVED

BERET

BIATHLON, BIATHLETE

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  
CERTAIN, -LY  
CHALET  
CHAMPAGNE  
CHANDELIER  
CHANGE, RANGE, STRANGE  
CHARACTER, CHARACTERISTIC  
CHASM  
CHEF  
CHEMISTRY  
CHICAGO  
CHILE  
CHIMERA  
CHOIR  
**CHOSEN**  
CIRCUIT, CIRCUMSTANCES  
CLAW  
CLEANSE x CLEAN  
CLERK  
CLIMB, CLIMBER – THUMB – DUMB  
CLOTHES x CLOTHS  
COAST x COST  
COCA-COLA  
COLONEL

COLUMN

COLLEAGUE

COMB

COMFORTABLE

COMPANION

COMPANY

**COMPLETION**

COMPONENT

COMRADE

CONCERTO

CONSCIENCE (x SCIENCE), CONSCIENTIOUS,-LY

CONSCIOUSNESS

CONSEQUENCE x SEQUENCE

CONSIST, INSIST

**COOPERATIVE**

CORPS

COUGH

COUNTRY

COURSE x CURSE

COUSIN

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, DECAYED

DECEASED

DECLINE

DECORATIVE

to DECREASE; a DECREASE

To DEFER

DELETE

DEMOSTHENES

DEPTH

DESCENT x DECENT

DESERT x to DESERT, a DESSERT

DETERMINED

DEVIL x EVIL

DIABETES

DIARRHEA, DIARRHOEA

DIFFER

DILATE

DILEMMA

DIPHThERIA

DIVORCED

DON'T

DOUBT

DOUGH

DOVE

DOZEN  
DRAUGHT  
DREARY  
DROUGHT  
DUCAT  
DYNASTY  
EARLY  
ECHO  
ECONOMY, ECONOMIST, ECONOMICS,  
ECONOMETRICS, ECONOMIZATION  
EDINBURGH  
EGYPT  
ELABORATE adj., to ELABORATE  
ELECTORAL  
ELIGIBLE x ILLEGIBLE  
ELITE  
ENDEAVOUR  
to ENDOW  
ENGINE  
EPOCH(AL)  
ERUDITE  
ESPRESSO  
EUROPEAN  
EVENT  
EWE a female sheep  
to EXAMINE  
EXCURSION, INCURSION  
EXEMPT  
EXPENSIVE  
EXPERTISE



FAÇADE  
FEUD  
FIANCÉ, FIANCÉE  
FIGURE  
FINALE  
FINANCE  
FLOUR FLOWER FLOOR  
FOCUS  
FOETUS  
FOLK  
FORTE  
FRAUD x Freud  
FRONT  
FRUIT  
**Fulghum**  
GAOL = JAIL  
GARAGE  
GAUGE  
GENERAL  
GENRE  
GENUINE  
GESTURE  
GIGANTIC  
GIGGLE  
GINGER  
GLOUCESTER  
GLOVES  
to GNAW  
GNOME  
GORGEIOUS

GRAPEFRUIT  
GREENWICH  
GRIND  
GUINEA-PIG  
GYNAECOLOGIST  
HACKNEYED  
HARASSMENT  
HARE, HAIR  
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  
JARGON  
JEWEL  
JUDAISM  
KANGAROO  
KEY  
KINDLING  
KNEAD  
KNIFE  
KNIGHT  
LAMB  
LAPEL  
LAUGH(TER)  
LAUREATE  
LEAD (UNLEADED PETROL) x to LEAD  
LEICESTER

LEONARD x LEO, LEONARDO

**LEPER**

LEVIATHAN

LEVI'S

LETHAL

to LIAISE; LIAISON

LIEU

LIEUTENANT

LILAC

LINEN x LINING

LINEAGE, LINEAL, LINEAR

LONGEVITY

LONGING

LOUNGE x LONG

LOW x LAW

MACABRE

MACHETE

MADRID

MAGI

MAJOR, MAJORETTE

MANIAC, MANIACAL

**MANSION**

MARGARINE

MARGIN, -AL

MASCARA

MASSACRE

MASSAGE

MATTE x MATE

MAURITIUS

MAYONNAISE

MAYOR, MAYORAL  
MEDIA, to MEDIATE x IMMEDIATE  
MEDIEVAL  
MELEE  
**MERCHANT**  
MIGRAINE  
MINIATURE  
MINUTE (60 seconds) x MINUTE (very little)  
MISCELLANEOUS  
**MISERY x Missouri**  
MODEL x **MODAL**  
MOLE  
MONTH  
MOSQUITO  
MOUE, MOO  
MOUSTACHE  
**MUNDANE**  
NAÏVE, NAÏVETY  
NAPLES  
NATION x NATIONAL  
NATURE x NATURAL  
NIHILISM  
the NOBEL Prize  
NOMINALISATION  
NOVEL  
NUMB  
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

PERFORMANCE

PERSON x PERSONAL x PERSONNEL

PHARAOH; pharaoh ants

PHILHARMONIC

THE PHILIPPINES

PHONETICS, PHONETICIAN

PHOTOGRAPH, PHOTOGRAPHY

PHTHISIS  
PICTURESQUE  
PILATES  
PINAFORE  
PISCES  
PLAGUE  
PLAIT  
PLAQUE  
PLUMB x PLUMP  
PLUMBER  
PNEUMATIC DRILL  
PNEUMONIA  
POEM  
**POIGNANT**  
**POLICY**  
Polish x POLISH  
POLL  
POSSESSION  
POST  
POUR  
PRAISE  
**PREDATOR**  
a PREFACE to a book  
PRICE cost x PRIZE award  
PRIORITY  
PRIVACY  
PROBLEM  
PROLOGUE  
to PROLONG  
PROSTHETIC

PSALM

PSORIASIS

PSYCHIATRY, -IST

PSYCHOLOGY, -IST

PUBLIC

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

PURCHASE

PURE

**PURGATORY**

**PURSUIT**

PUT, PUTT

QUARTZ

QUAY

QUESTIONNAIRE

QUEUE

to RAISE x to RISE

RAPPORT

**RAW**

Reading x reading

RECEIPT

RECIPE

A RECORD; TO RECORD

REFER, REFERRED TO, REFERENCE

REHEARSAL, TO REHEARSE

REPUGNANT

RESERVOIR

RESTAURANT

REVOLUTION

RHETORICS x RHETORICAL adj.

ROGUE x ROUGE



ROOT x ROUTE x ROUTER  
ROW (a line) x ROW (a quarrel)  
SACCHARIDE  
SALMON  
SCARCE, -LY  
SCENE, SCENERY  
**SCHEDULE**  
SCHEME  
SCHIZOPHRENIA, -IC  
SCIATICA  
SCYTHER x SCATHE (to escape unscathed)  
SEISMIC  
SEMIOTICS  
to SEPARATE x SEPARATE (adj.) lives  
to SEVER = separate x SEVERE cold  
SEWER  
SHARED  
SHOT x SHOOT  
SHOULD  
SIEVE  
SIMILE  
SINCERELY  
SINGER  
SLOTH  
SOLUTION  
SOME  
SOUR  
SPAGHETTI  
**SPECIFIC**  
STEINBECK (JOHN)

SUBTLE  
SUCCESS  
SUEDE  
SUFFICE  
SUGGEST  
SUICIDE  
SUIT x SUITE  
SUPER  
SURFACE  
SURVEILLANCE  
SURVEY  
SWAN  
SWEAT x SWEET, SWEATER  
SWORD  
SYNTAX  
TARGET  
TEAR-TORE-TORN as opposed to crying TEARS  
TECHNICAL  
TEMPLATE  
THEATRICAL  
THEIR  
THERMOMETER  
THESAURUS  
THESIS, -ES  
THOROUGH – THOROUGHLY –  
THOROUGHFARE  
**THOSE**  
THROUGH  
THROUGHOUT  
THRILLER - TRAILER

TOBACCO

TOMB RAIDER

TOWARD

TREASURE

TRIBUNAL

TRIPARTITE

TROUGH

TSAR

20th – PRETTIER – the LOVELIEST

UKRAINE

ULTIMATE

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

**VIKINGS**

VILLAGE

VINEYARD

VISCOUNT  
VOLLEYBALL  
VOW  
VOYAGE  
VOYER  
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