

## A COLLECTION OF PRONUNCIATION ERRORS

ABANDONED

ABROAD

ACCEPT x EXCEPT

to ACCOMPANY; ACCOMPANIED

ACHIEVEMENT

ADMIRE x ADMIRABLE

**ADOBE READER**

AERIAL

AFFIDAVIT

AISLE; to walk down the aisle

ALASKA

ALLEGIANCE

to ALLOW, an ALLOWANCE

ALSO

AMICABLE

**ANALOGY**

ANALYSIS, pl. ANALYSES

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

ANCHOR

**ANXIETY**

APOSTROPHE, CATASTROPHE

APPETITE

ARCHIPELAGO

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

*Recent confusion: POMPEI x BOMBAY*

ASSESSMENT

ASTHMA  
ATROCIOUS  
AWE  
BABEL  
BALET  
**the BALKANS**  
**BANAL**  
BASIC, BASICALLY  
BEARD x BIRD  
BEELZEBUB  
BELARUS  
BLOOD  
BOAST x BOOST  
BOROUGH  
BOUGH a branch  
BOUGHT  
BOW a ribbon, a tie = a BOW and arrow  
to BOW to the audience  
BREATH x to BREATHE  
BULLET  
BULLY  
BUSH  
BUTCHER  
CAFÉ – CAFFE - COFFEE  
CANAL x KENNEL  
CAPABLE  
CARNIVORE  
CHAMPAGNE  
**CHANDELIER**  
CHANGE, RANGE, STRANGE

CHARACTER, CHARACTERISTIC

CHASM

CHEF

CHEMISTRY

CHICAGO

CHOIR

CLAW

CLIMB, CLIMBER – THUMB – DUMB

COCA-COLA

COLONEL

**COMB**

COMFORTABLE

**COMRADE**

CONSCIENCE (x SCIENCE), CONSCIENTIOUS,-LY

CONSCIOUSNESS

**CONSEQUENCE** x SEQUENCE

**CORPS**

COUGH

COUNTRY

COURSE x CURSE

a COVE

to CREATE - CREATION – CREATURE

CRUISE

CUSHION

DAGGER

DEBT, DEBTOR

**DECADE** x DECAY

DECLINE

DECORATIVE

DEMOSTHENES

DESERT x to DESERT, a DESSERT  
DETERMINED  
DEVIL x EVIL  
DIARRHEA, DIARRHOE  
**DILEMMA**  
DIPHTHERIA  
DIVORCED  
DOUBT  
DOUGH  
DOVE  
DOZEN  
**DROUGHT**  
ECHO  
ECONOMY, ECONOMIST, ECONOMICS,  
ECONOMETRICS, ECONOMIZATION  
**to ENDOW**  
ENGINE  
ESPRESSO  
EVENT  
EWE a female sheep  
EPOCH(AL)  
**EXCURSION, INCURSION**  
FEUD  
FIANCÉ, FIANCÉE  
**FINALE**  
FLOUR FLOWER FLOOR  
FOCUS  
**FOLK**  
GAOL  
**GENRE**

GENUINE  
GESTURE  
GIGGLE  
**GINGER**  
GLOVES  
to **GNAW**  
GORGEOUS  
**GREENWICH**  
**GRIND**  
GYNAECOLOGIST  
**HEARSE**  
**HELIUM, HELIX**  
HIATUS  
HIDEOUS  
HIERARCHY, HIERARCHICAL  
HIGH x HEIGHT  
HILARIOUS  
**HOMOGENEOUS**  
HONEST, HONOUR  
HOTEL  
HYPERMARKET  
HYPOTHESIS, -ES  
**IKEA**  
INNATE  
INSECTICIDE  
INSIST  
**INTRINSIC**  
ISLAND x ICELAND;  
ISLE OF ..., ISLET a little one  
ISSUE

ITINERARY  
**JAGUAR**  
KNIGHT  
**LAMB**  
LAUGH(TER)  
**LAUREATE**  
LEAD (UNLEADED PETROL)  
LEICESTER  
LETHAL  
LIEUTENANT  
LONGING  
**MAGI**  
MARGARINE  
MARGIN, -AL  
MASSAGE  
**MAURICIUS**  
MEDIA, to **MEDIATE** x **IMMEDIATE**  
MELEE  
**MIGRAINE**  
MOUSTACHE  
NAÏVE, NAÏVETY  
NAPLES  
NATION x NATIONAL  
NATURE x NATURAL  
the NOBEL Prize  
NOVEL  
to OCCUR, OCCURRENCE  
OBSTINATE  
OPPORTUNITY  
ORCHARD

OVEN

to OWN; my OWN

**PALM**

PARENT

PARTICULAR

PATIO

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

PERCHANCE

PERSON x PERSONAL x PERSONNEL

**PHARAOH; pharaoh ants**

PHTHISIS

PICTURESQUE

**PINAFORE**

PLAGUE

PNEUMATIC DRILL

PNEUMONIA

POLL

POSSESSION

POST

a PREFACE to a book

PRICE cost x PRIZE award

PRIORITY

PROBLEM

PROLOGUE

PROSTHETIC

PSORIASIS

PSYCHIATRY, -IST

PSYCHOLOGY, -IST

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

PURCHASE

**QUARTZ**

QUEUE

**RECEIPT**

**RECIPE**

A RECORD; TO RECORD

**RESERVOIR**

REHEARSAL, TO REHEARSE

RHETORICS x RHETORIC adj.

ROGUE x ROUGE

ROOT x ROUTE

SALMON

SCARCE, -LY

SCENE, SCENERY

SCHEME

SCHIZOPHRENIA, -IC

SCIATICA

SCYTHE x SCATHE (to escape unscathed)

**SEISMIC**

to SEPARATE x SEPARATE (adj.) lives

to SEVER = separate x SEVERE cold

SHOT x SHOOT

SIEVE

SINGER

**SOUR**

SUBTLE

SUCCESS

SUICIDE

SURFACE

SURVEILLANCE

SURVEY



**SWAN**

SWEAT x SWEET, SWEATER

SWORD

TARGET

TEAR-TORE-TORN as opposed to crying TEARS

TECHNICAL

THEATRICAL

THEIR

THESIS, -ES

THOROUGH – THOROUGHLY –

THOROUGHFARE

THROUGH

THROUGHOUT

THRILLER - TRAILER

TOBACCO

TOMB RAIDER

**TRIPARTITE**

TROUGH

**TSAR**

20th – PRETTIER – the LOVELIEST

UNIVERSITY

URGE, URGENT

a USE x to USE, an ABUSE x to ABUSE

VALLEY x WALLET x VALET

VEGETABLE

VENEREAL

VENOM, -OUS (poison, -ous)

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

VENUS planet

VISCOUNT

VOYAGE

VINEYARD

WEIRD

**WHILST**

WICKED

WI-FI

WILD x WILDERNESS

WIND – WOUND - WOUND

WOMB

**WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE**

WORRIED

WOUND

XENOPHOBIA

**YACHT**

**YAWN**