

A poem on English pronunciation

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Here is some pronunciation.

Ration never rhymes with **nation**,

Say **prefer**, but **preferable**,

Comfortable and **veg**etable.

B must not be heard in **doubt**,

Debt and **dumb** both leave it out.



In the words *p*sychology,
*P*syhic, and *p*sychiatry,
You must never sound the *p*.
*P*sychiatrist you call the man
Who cures the complex, if he can.

In ar*ch*itect, *chi* is *k*.
In ar*ch* it is the other way.



Please remember to say *iron*
So that it'll rhyme with *lion*.
Advert*ise*rs advert*ise*,
Advert*is*ements will put you wise.
Time when work is done is *leisure*,
Fill it up with useful *pleasure*.



Acc*idental*, *acc*ident,
Sound the *g* in *ign*orant.
*Rel*ative, but relat*ion*,
Then say *crea*ture, but *crea*tion.



Say the **a** in **gas** quite short,
Bought remember rhymes
with **thwart**,
Drought must always rhyme
with **bout**,
In **daughter** leave the **gh** out.



Wear a **boot** upon your **foot**.
Root can never rhyme with **soot**.
In **muscle**, **sc** is **s**,
In **muscular**, it's **sk**, yes!



Choir must always rhyme with **wire**,
That again will rhyme with **liar**.
Then remember it's ad**dress**.
With an accent like poss**es**.
G in **sign** must silent be,
In **signature**, pronounce the **g**.



Please remember, say to **wards**
Just as if it rhymed with **boards**.
Weight's like **wait**, but not like **height**.
Which should always rhyme with **might**.
Sew is just the same as **so**,
Tie a ribbon in a **bow**.



When You meet the queen you **bow**,
Which again must rhyme with **how**.
In perfect English make a **start**.
Learn this little rhyme by **heart**.

