

## ENGL 507 Fall 2013 Answers to Homework Set #1

These sounds occur within a range of distribution. What I'm giving you as "answers" are the most common American pronunciations. In your own idiolect, there may be some variations. Check your answers and see how close you are.

### PHONEMIC TRANSCRIPTION PRACTICE: Consonants

Write the phonetic symbol for the *initial* consonant sound in each word.

bone	b	circus	s	pneumonia	n	sugar	ʃ
take	t	zero	z	psychology	s	czech	č
cold	k	charade	ʃ	ptomaine	t	khan	k
gizzard	g	gendarme	ž	chaos	k	whole	h
choice	č	mount	m	knot	n	mnemonic	n
giant	ǰ	gnash	n	ghetto	g	thought	θ
phase	f	llama	l	cello	č	though	ð
valley	v	wring	r	sword	s	ouija	w
thin	θ	one	w	czar	z	rhythm	r
then	ð	unit	y	xenophobia	z	science	s

Write the phonetic symbol for the *medial* consonant sound or cluster.

medal	d	reason	z	feature	č	pizza	ts
metal	d or t	recent	s	gradual	ǰ	exist	gz
pudding	d	fishing	ʃ	nature	č	taxi	ks
putting	d or t	vision	ž	patient	ʃ	regime	ž
ether	θ	leisure	ž	pleasure	ž	finger	ŋg
either	ð	pleaser	z	pledger	ǰ	ringer	ŋ
other	ð	caesar	z	cupboard	b	anger	ŋg

author	ə	seizure	ʒ	subpoena	p	hanger	ŋ
face	s	fuchsia	ʃ	soften	f	sinking	ŋk
phases	z	future	č	stephen	v	singing	ŋ

Write the phonetic symbol for the **final consonant sound or cluster**.

ebb	b	breathe	ð	hiccough	p	paradigm	m
ripe	p	rice	s	receipt	t	talk	k
odd	d	rise	z	lamb	m	myrrh	r
lack	k	tongue	ŋ	debt	t	half	f
watch	č	sing	ŋ	indict	t	foreign	n
hedge	ǰ	sign	n	opaque	k	cortège	ʒ
leave	v	off	f	rogue	g	mustache	ʃ
bath	ə	of	v	cough	f	coalesce	s
bathe	ð	night	t	days	z	allege	ǰ
breath	ə	fall	l	solemn	m	ache	k

Transcribe the following words in their entirety (in the best standard pronunciation you can manage).

Dip	dɪp	Hug	hʌg	Buck	bʌk
Deep	dip	Hung	hʌŋ	Glows	glɔz
Shell	ʃɛl	Wife	waɪf	Voice	vɔɪs
Shake	ʃek	Slouch	slaʊč	Sedge	seǰ
Fool	ful	Moist	mɔɪst	Cow	kaʊ
Wool	wʊl	Hue	hyu	Soy	sɔɪ
Soap	sɒp	Teach	tič	Tall	tɔl
Saw	sɔ	Path	pæθ	Chuck	čɛk
Job	ǰɒb	Youth	yuθ	Prize	praɪz
Pad	pæd	Pull	pʊl	They	ðe

## Transcription: Challenging words

Lose	luz	Gnaw	nɔ	Answer	ænsər
Loose	lus	Folk	fɒk	Salmon	sæmən
Through	θru	Have	hæv	Cologne	kəlɒn
Wrong	rɔŋ or rɔŋg	Halve	hæv	Homage	əmiʃ
Psalm	səm	Tarred	tɑrd	Do	du
Clapped	klæpt	Tired	tɑrd	Due	du or dyu
Candid	kændɪd (or - dɛd)	Thyme	talm	Ladder	lædər
Candied	kændɪd	Theme	θim	latter	lædər or lætər