



PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

2025-26 Start of Season

ATLANTA HAWKS



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Nickeil Alexander-Walker (ni-KEEL)

N'Faly Dante (nn-FALL-ee)

Nikola Đurišić (nee-cola yur-ih-chitch)

Mouhamed Gueye (Mo-HAH-med Gay)

Caleb Houston (Houston)

Luke Kennard (kuh-naard)

Vít Krejčí (veet kray-chee)

Eli Ndiaye (el-lee EN-jai)

Asa Newell (A-suh New-uhl)

Onyeka Okongwu (own-YEH-kuh oh-KONG-wu)

Kristaps Porziņģis (KRIS-taps Por-ZING-is)

Zaccharie Risacher (zack-uh-REE ree-zah-shay)

Jacob Toppin (TOP-in)

BROOKLYN NETS



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Egor Dëmin (YAY-gore DYOH-min)

Tyson Etienne (eh-tee-ENN)

E.J. Liddell (lih-DELL)

Ben Saraf (Suh-RAHF)

Nolan Traoré (Trah-OR-ay)

Ziaire Williams (zy-air)

Assistant Coach Deividas Dulkys (david-us dull-kiss)

Barclays Center (BARK-lees)

BOSTON CELTICS



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Chris Boucher (boo-SHAY)

Hugo González (oo-GO)

Sam Hauser (HOW-zer)

Josh Minott (MY-not)

Neemias Queta (Nuh-mee-us Kay-tuh)

Baylor Scheierman (SHY-er-man)

Max Shulga (Shuhl-gah)

Anfernee Simons (SIGH-mons)

Xavier Tillman Sr. (Zavier)

Amari Williams (uh-MAR-ee)

CHARLOTTE HORNETS



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LaMelo Ball (luh-MEL-oh)

Pat Connaughton (Conn-uh-ton)

Moussa Diabaté (Moos-ah Dee-ah-Bah-tay)

Sion James (SEE-on)

Ryan Kalkbrenner (CAULK-bren-ner)

Kon Knueppel (Kohn Kuh-NIP-ull)

Tidjane Salaün (tee-john salon)

Assistant Coach Blaine Mueller (miller)

CHICAGO BULLS



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Matas Buzelis (MAH-tiss boo-ZEL-iss)

Jevon Carter (juh-VON)

Ayo Dosunmu (EYE-o Doe-SOO-mu)

Noa Essengue (Noah Eh-sen-geh)

Kevin Huerter (HER-der)

Isaac Okoro (oh-CORE-oh)

Lachlan Olbrich (LOCK-len OHL-brick)

Dalen Terry (DAY-lynn)

Nikola Vučević (KNEE-coal-uh VOOCH-uh-vitch)

DALLAS MAVERICKS



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Dalano Banton (duh-LAH-no BAN-ten)

Moussa Cissé (MOO-suh see-say)

Danté Exum (DAHN-tay X-umm)

Naji Marshall (NAH-zjee)

Ryan Nembhard (NIM-hard)

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS



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Max Strus (Stroos)

Nae'Qwan Tomlin (NAY-KWAN)

Jaylon Tyson (JAY-len)

DENVER NUGGETS



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Tamar Bates (tu-MAR Bates)

Christian Braun (Brown)

DaRon Holmes II (duh-RON)

Nikola Jokić (ni-KOLA yo-kitch)

Zeke Nnaji (NAH-jee)

Jonas Valančiūnas (YO-nahs vah-lahn-CHEW-nas)

DETROIT PISTONS



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Jalen Duren (jay-lin DURR-in)
Tobias Harris (toe-bias)
Ron Holland II (HAWL-and)
Bobi Klintman (Bobby)
Chaz Lanier (ChAZZ Luh-NEER)
Caris LeVert (CARE-iss luh-VERT)
Marcus Sasser (SASS-err)
Ausar Thompson (uh-SARR)
Assistant Coach Vitaly Potapenko (po-TAH-pen-ko)

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS



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Stephen Curry (STEFF-in)
Buddy Hield (Healed)
Brandin Podziemski (Brandon po-JEM-ski)
Quinten Post (kwin-tin)
Gui Santos (Ghee)
Alex Toohey (TOO-Ee)
Assistant Coach Khalid Robinson (ka-LID)

HOUSTON ROCKETS



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Tari Eason (TAR-ee)
Kevon Harris (KEE-von)
Josh Okogie (uh-KOH-ghee)
Alperen Sengun (al-pah-ron shen-gün)
Jae'Sean Tate (JAY-shawn)
Amen Thompson (ah-Men)
Assistant Coach Royal Ivey (roy-AL)
Head Coach Ime Udoka (ee-MAY ooh-DOH-ka)

INDIANA PACERS



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Benedict Mathurin (MATH-erin)
Andrew Nembhard (NIM-hard)
Aaron Nesmith (KNEE-smith)
Pascal Siakam (Pass-CAL See-AHK-am)
Obi Toppin (OH-bee TOP-in)
Jarace Walker (JARE-iss)
James Wiseman (wize-man)
Assistant Coach Jenny Boucek (BOO-seck)
Assistant Coach Jannero Pargo (juh-NAIR-oh)
Head Athletic Trainer Josh Corbeil (core-BEEL)

CLIPPERS



LA CLIPPERS

Nicolas Batum (Nick-O-la Ba-TOOM)

Bogdan Bogdanović (Boag-dahn Boag-dahn-ovich)

Yanic Konan Niederhäuser (YAN-ick KOH-nan NEED-er-Houser)

Kawhi Leonard (kah-WHY)

Jahmyl Telfort (Jah-meel Tell-fort)

Ivica Zubac (EVE-its-uh ZOO-bahtz)

Head Coach Tyronn Lue (tih-RAHN loo)

LOS ANGELES LAKERS



Deandre Ayton (dee-ON-drax AY-tin)

Luka Dončić (LOO-kuh DON-chitch)

Rui Hachimura (ROO-ee hah-chee-MURR-uh)

Maxi Kleber (CLEE-bah)

Dalton Knecht (KUH-nekt)

Christian Koloko (co-LOWE-coe)

Jake LaRavia (luh-RAY-vee-uh)

Chris Mañon (MAN-yon)

Adou Thiero (ah-DOO THEE-ro)

Assistant Coach Bob Beyer (BYE-urr)

Assistant Coach Beau Levesque (BO Leh-VESK)

MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES



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Santi Aldama (sahn-tee all-DAH-ma)

Kentavious Caldwell-Pope (Ken-tave-ee-ous)

Cedric Coward (COW-erd)

Zach Edey (EE-dee)

Jaren Jackson Jr. (JAIR-in)

John Konchar (con-char)

Jock Landale (LAN-dale)

Darnell Lazare (la-ZAR)

Ja Morant (Jah mo-RANT)

Olivier-Maxence Prosper (oh-LIV-ee-ay MAX-ahnce)

Javon Small (ja-VON)

Head Coach Tuomas Iisalo (twa-mas EE-za-low)

Assistant Coach Darnell Lazare (la-ZAR)

Head of Sports Medicine Eric Oetter (Otter)

MIAMI HEAT



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Bam Adebayo (ADDA-BYE-OH)

Simone Fontecchio (sim-OWN-ay fawn-TEK-ee-oh)

Vladislav Goldin (VLAD-ih-slahf Gol-din)

Tyler Herro (Hero)

Kaspars Jakučionis (KAS-per-es yah-koo-CHOH-nis)

Jaime Jaquez Jr. (HY-may HAH-kez)

Keshad Johnson (KEY-shawd)

Nikola Jović (nee-CO-lah YO-vitch)

Pelle Larsson (Pell-UH)

Davion Mitchell (DAVE-ee-on)

Terry Rozier III (row-ZEER)

Kel'el Ware (kuh-LELL wear)

MILWAUKEE BUCKS



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Alex Antetokounmpo (ah-dedo-KOON-bo)

Giannis Antetokounmpo (YAHN-iss ah-dedo-KOON-bo)

Thanasis Antetokounmpo (Thon-asis ah-dedo-KOON-bo)

Amir Coffey (ah-MEER Coffee)

Taurean Prince (TORE-ee-in)

Assistant Coach Dave Joerger (YAY-gr)

Assistant Coach Rex Kalamian (kuh-LAY-mee-in)

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES



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Joan Beringer (YO-hon BEAR-en-jzee)

Donte DiVincenzo (DEE-vin-chen-zo)

Rudy Gobert (go-BARE)

Joe Ingles (ING-uhls)

Johnny Juzang (JOO-zang)

Naz Reid (NAHZ)

Rocco Zikarsky (Rock-oh Zih-KAR-skee)

Assistant Coach Max Lefevre (Luh-Fev)

Assistant Coach Micah Nori (Nor-EE)

Assistant Coach Pablo Prigioni (Prih-gee-OH-knee)

Head Athletic Trainer Erin Sierer (Sear)

NEW ORLEANS PELICANS



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Saddiq Bey (suh-DEEK Bay)

Kevon Looney (keh-VON LOO-nee)

Karlo Matković (Mat-ko-vich)

Yves Missi (EVE MEE-see)

Dejounte Murray (di-JHOHN-tay)

Derik Queen (Derek)

NEW YORK KNICKS



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OG Anunoby (O G Ann-uh-no-bee)

Mikal Bridges (mick-EL)

Pacôme Dadiet (pah-COMB DA-DEE-ay)

Mohamed Diawara (DEE-uh-WAH-ruh)

Tosan Ebuomwan (TOW-sahn eh WOAH-muh)

Ariel Hukporti (Huck-POOR-tee)

Tyler Kolek (co-leck)

Landry Shamet (SHAM-it)

Guerschon Yabusele (Gur-shawn Yah-boo-say-lay)

Assistant Coach Riccardo Fois (FOYCE)

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER



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Brooks Barnhizer (Barn-hi-zer)

Ousmane Dieng (oose-mon jeng)

Luguentz Dort (loo-GHENTZ)

Shai Gilgeous-Alexander (shay GILL-juss AL-eck-zan-der)

Isaiah Hartenstein (Hart-en-SCHTEIN)

Chet Holmgren (home-grin)

Nikola Topić (ni-COLA toe-pitch)

Cason Wallace (case-IN)

Kenrich Williams (ken-rich)

Assistant Coach David Akinyooye (ah-kin-YO-yay)

Head Coach Mark Daigneault (DAYG-nalt)

PHILADELPHIA 76ers



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Adem Bona (uh-DEM BO-nuh)

Johni Broome (JUH-nye Broom)

VJ Edgecombe (EDGE-cum)

Joel Embiid (jo-ELL em-BEAD)

Quentin Grimes (QUINN-ten Grymes)

Kelly Oubre Jr. (OOH-bray)

Hunter Sallis (Sal-iss)

ORLANDO MAGIC



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Paolo Banchero (pow-loh ban-CARE-oh)

Goga Bitadze (GO-guh bih-TAH-zay)

Wendell Carter Jr. (when-DELL)

Franz Wagner (VOG-ner)

Moritz Wagner (MORE-rhetz VOG-ner)

Assistant Coach/Staff Coordinator Ameer Bahhur (bah-HER)

Assistant Coach Bret Brielmaier (BREEL-meyer)

PHOENIX SUNS



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Koby Brea (ko-bee BRAY-uh)

Dillon Brooks (DILL-en)

Rasheer Fleming (Rah-sheer)

Oso Ighodaro (Oso ig-uh-DAR-oh)

Isaiah Livers (lih-vers)

Khaman Maluach (kah-mahn mahl-oo-ahch)

Assistant Coach Chaisson Allen (CHASE-in)

Assistant Coach DeMarre Carroll (dih-MAR-ay KAIR-ul)

Assistant Coach Jesse Mermuys (MURR-miss)

Assistant Coach Mike Muscala (muss-CALL-uh)

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS



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Deni Avdija (Denny AHV-dee-uh)

Toumani Camara (too-MAH-nee cuh-MAR-uh)

Sidy Cissoko (SEE-dee sih-SOH-koh)

Donovan Clingan (DAA-nuh-vuhn CLING-uhn)

Jerami Grant (jare-UH-me)

Jrue Holiday (Drew)

Duop Reath (Dw-AHP)

Rayan Rupert (RYE-ahn roo-PARE)

Shaedon Sharpe (shay-din Sharp)

Matisse Thybulle (mah-TEECE THIGH-bull)

Yang Hansen (Yahng Hahn-sun)

SACRAMENTO KINGS



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Nique Clifford (NEEK)

Drew Eubanks (YOU-banks)

Doug McDermott (Mc-DER-mut)

Zach LaVine (luh-VEEN)

Malik Monk (muh-LEAK)

Daeqwон Plowden (day-KWON)

Maxime Raynaud (Max-eem Ray-no)

Domantas Sabonis (doh-MON-tas suh-BOE-niss)

Dario Šarić (DAH-ree-oh SHAH-ritch)

Dennis Schröder (SHROO-der)

SAN ANTONIO SPURS



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Bismack Biyombo: (bis-MOCK bee-OM-bo)

Stephon Castle (steff-ON)

Julian Champagnie (Sham-penny)

Keldon Johnson (Kel-DONE)

Kelly Olynyk (OH-lynn-ick)

Jeremy Sochan (So-HAH-n)

Devin Vassell (VUH-sell)

Victor Wembanyama (wem-ben-YAH-muh)

TORONTO RAPTORS



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Ochai Agbaji (OH-cheye uh-BAH-jee)

Sandro Mamukelashvili (ma-MOO-kell-osh-VEE-lee)

Alijah Martin (Ah-LIE-juh)

Jonathan Mogbo (MOE-bo)

Jakob Poeltl (YAH-cub PER-tull)

Jamal Shead (Shed)

Assistant Coach Mike Batiste (Buh-teece)

Assistant Coach Vin Bhavnani (BAV-naan-ee)

Assistant Coach Jama Mahlalela (Jah-MAH MAH-la-lay-lah)

Head Coach Darko Rajaković (RYE-ahk-oe-vich)

Assistant Coach Ivo Simović (EE-voh SIM-oh-vitch)

UTAH JAZZ



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Kyle Filipowski (fil-uh POW-ski)
Keyonte George (key-AHN-tay)
Lauri Markkanen (LAU-ree MARK-a-nin)
Svi Mykhailiuk (svee muh-KAI-luke)
Georges Niang (George KNEE-yang)
Jusuf Nurkić (you-SUF nur-KITCH)
Brice Sensabaugh (SENSE-uh-baugh)
John Tonje (TAWN-jay)
Oscar Tshiebwe (SHEEB-way)
Assistant Coach Chad Forcier (For-sear)
Assistant Coach Steve Wojciechowski (woe-ju-HOW-skee)

WASHINGTON WIZARDS



Marvin Bagley III (Bag-LEE)
Malaki Branham (Mal-UH-kye Bran-num)
Justin Champagnie (SHAM-penny)
Bilal Coulibaly (BEE-loll coo-lih-ba-LEE)
Kyshawn George (KEY-Shawn)
Tristan Vukčević (VOOK-cheh-vitch)
Jamir Watkins (Jah-meer)
Alondes Williams (uh-LOHN-diss)
Assistant Coach Adam Caporn (Kay-porn)

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