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- A. Feature identification. For vowels, write four: height, front/backness, roundedness, tenseness

Example: [i]: high front unrounded tense

1. [ɛ]
2. [æ]
3. [u]
4. [e]
5. [ɔ]

- B. Feature differences. The following pairs of sounds differ on only one feature. What is it? (the vowel pairs may have one or two features different)

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| 1. [k] – [g] | 5. [f] – [s] |
| 2. [ɪ] – [I] | 6. [ɛ] – [æ] |
| 3. [ŋ] – [n] | 7. [i] – [u] |
| 4. [ʒ] – [ʃ] | 8. [ɔ] – [ʊ] |

C. Correcting Phonetic Transcription

The following is a broad phonetic transcription of parts of the poem “The Walrus and the Carpenter” by Lewis Carroll. There is *one significant error* in each line that is an unrealistic pronunciation for any American English speaker. The error may consist of an extra symbol, a missing symbol, or a wrong symbol in the word. Re-write the word in which the error occurs using the correct phonetic transcription.

1. “the walrus said” [ðə wəlɹəs sed]
2. “to talk of many things” [tʊ tək əv mənɪ θɪŋz]
3. “of shoes and ships” [əv ʃuz and ʃɪps]
4. “and sealing wax” [ænd silɪŋ wæx]

D. Identify the English words represented by the following phonetic transcriptions.

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| 1. [gɪɡlɪŋ] | 11. [tʃɛkbʊk] |
| 2. [mʌstæʃ] | 12. [ʃɪʌɡɪŋ] |
| 3. [ənaʊnsmənt] | 13. [aɪtɪtʃok] |
| 4. [noʊtwəɪði] | 14. [daɪnəsoʊ] |
| 5. [θæŋkfʌ] | 15. [haki] |
| 6. [θɪ] | 16. [floteʃn] |
| 7. [nælɪdʒəbəl] | 17. [kəntent] |
| 8. [ɪnkənsɪvəbəl] | 18. [ænɪmɪ] |
| 9. [ɪgzæktli] | 19. [dəlɪtɪd] |
| 10. [bʌkɪt] | 20. [dʒʌdʒmɪnt] |

E. Write phonetic transcriptions of the pronunciations of the following words

who	clothes
out	ledge
myth	pizza
those	house
theme	make
voice	show
potato	reach
force	funny
shoelace	bottle
disaster	cactus

- F. Write phonetic transcriptions of the following phrases. You do not need square brackets around every word; instead, put one big set of square brackets around the entire sentence.

This is not a creative sentence.

He is afraid of thunder and lightning.

Write a phonetic transcription of this phrase.

I'm getting so good at identifying sounds.