

THE FIVE TRIPHTHONGS

The five English triphthongs (*trojhlásky*) have three parts. They consist of the **five closing diphthongs** + /ə/ (schwa) . The most common words which contain triphthongs are listed below.

/eɪə/	/aɪə/	ɔɪə/	/aʊə/	/əʊə/
layer player sprayer	diary drier/dryer fire hire/higher mire shire spire tire	loyal royal soya Goya employer destroyer	flour/flower hour/our power shower tower towel allowance	grower mower lower slower thrower