MOST COMMONLY MISPRONOUNCED

WORDS IN ENGLISH
BY ENGLISH LEARNERS

Pron nciation Emma

Hi! I'm Emma 👏

I'm on a mission to make English pronunciation fun, easy, and simple for intermediate+ English language learners!



In 2018 I got tired of my students being unable to find any fun and useful British English pronunciation videos to practise outside their lessons. So, I decided to help them by starting Pronunciation with Emma!

In just a few months, our thriving community grew to over 1000 members!



Now we are a strong community of over 1 million British pronunciation enthusiasts!

> If you haven't joined our community yet, then come and join us now!













How will this book help you?

Improving your pronunciation is hard work.
I know, I've studied 7 different foreign languages!



So, I fully understand that it's hard to know where to start.

How do you start "improving your pronunciation" if you have no idea what you need to improve?

This is exactly why I created this book! This is your starting point to begin 'fishing' (this isn't a technical word! It's just what I call it).

By 'fishing' your current pronunciation, you are looking to see if there's anything to 'catch'. For example, while reading this book, you might find that you pronounce 'comfortable' incorrectly. AMAZING!!

That's one new thing you've learnt.

Remember, **this is about you being 1% better than yesterday**. This isn't about you trying to "sound like a native in 3 months", because we all know that this is just BAD and LAZY marketing.

The Most Commonly **Mispronounced Words**

Would you like to listen to the pronunciation of these words? Use Forvo to listen to the pronunciation in different accents.

1. Pronunciation

/prəˈnʌn.siˈeɪ.ʃən/

The way a word is spoken.

English learners should practise their **pronunciation**.

2. Wednesday

/wenz.dei/

The third day of the week.

I have a meeting on Wednesday.

3. Clothes

/kləʊðz/ or /kləʊz/

Items of clothing or garments worn on your body. I need to buy some new clothes.

4. Colonel

/ka:.nəl/

A military rank above a lieutenant.

The **colonel** led the troops into battle.

5. Choir

/kwaiə/

A group of singers who perform together, especially in a church.

The school **choir** sang beautifully.

6. Salmon

/ˈsæm.ən/

A type of fish.

The river is full of salmon.

7. Recipe

/ˈres.ɪ.pi/

A set of instructions to prepare a specific dish.

What's the **recipe** for this dish?

8. Receipt

/rɪˈsiːt/

A piece of paper indicating something you have bought. The cashier gave me a **receipt**.

9. Jewellery

/ˈdʒuː.əl.ri/ or /ˈdʒuːl.ri/

Decorative items, such as rings, necklaces or earrings, worn on the body.

Her **jewellery** is very elegant.

10. Entrepreneur

/ˌpn.trə.prəˈnɜː/

A person who starts and manages a business. She's an **entrepreneur**.

11. Comfortable

/kʌm.fə.tə.bəl/ or /kʌmf.tə.bəl/

Something that provides physical ease and relaxation. The chair is **comfortable**.

12. Vegetable

/'vedz.tə.bəl/

An edible plant or part of a plant. I made a **vegetable** soup.

13. Focus

/ˈfəʊ.kəs/

To concentrate.

Let's focus on finishing this project.

14. Chocolate

/tspk.lət/

A sweet treat made of cacao beans. Hove **chocolate** cake.

15. February

/feb.jv.ri/(there are many ways to say this, but I find that this is the easiest way!)
The second month of the year.
My birthday's in **February**.

16. Cucumber

/ˈkjuː.kʌm.bə/

A long green vegetable.
I added some **cucumber** to the salad.

17. Iron

/aɪən/

To smooth clothes so they have no creases. I need to **iron** this shirt.

18. Rural

/ˈrʊə.rəl/

Relating to the countryside. They live in a **rural** area.

19. Scissors

/ˈsɪz.əz/

A cutting tool consisting of two blades. Can you pass me the **scissors**?

20. Beer

/bɪə/

An alcoholic drink made of fermented grains. He ordered a **beer** at the bar.

21. Bear

/beə/

A large animal which usually has large claws and lots of fur. I saw a **bear** in the forest while hiking.

22. Beard

/bɪəd/

Hair which grows on the jaw, chin, and cheeks. He has a long **beard**.

23. Bird

/b3:d/

An animal which has a beak and feathers. It usually has the ability to fly.

A colourful bird sat on the branch.

24. Library

/ˈlaɪ.brər.i/ or /ˈlaɪ.bri/

A place where books and archives are kept that you can borrow to read.

I prefer studying at the library.

25. Months

$/m \wedge n \theta s / \theta s$

Units of time on a calendar. Usually around 30 days. There are twelve **months** in a year.

26. Island

/ˈaɪ.lənd/

A piece of land surrounded by water. We're planning to go on holiday to a tropical **island**.

27. Woman vs Women

/wʊm.ən/ and /wɪm.ɪn/

An adult female. Singular and plural forms. That **woman** works here, and those **women** over there are her colleagues.

28. Ache

/eɪk/

A continuous dull pain. My legs always **ache** after walking all day.

29. Doubt

/daʊt/

To be uncertain. I **doubt** that's true.

30. Debt

/det/

Money owed to someone else.

They're struggling to pay off their student **debt**.

Are you ready to take your pronunciation one step further?

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