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aigh

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ough

aigh

/ā/
straight

eu

/ōō/	/yōō/
neutral, pneumatic, deuce, pneumonia, maneuver	feud, euphony, queue

ough

/ūff/	/ōff/	/ō/	/ō/	/ōō/	/ou,ow/
tough	cough	thought	though	through	bough
enough	trough	sought	dough		drought
rough		bought			plough
		brought			
		fought			

augh

/ō/	/āf/
caught	laugh
daughter	laughter
fraught	
slaughter	

oo

/ōō/	/ŭŭ/
zoo, too, room, zoom, broom, moon, roof, loose, school, igloo	look, nook, hook, book, cook hoof, hood, good, wood

aw

/ŏ/
awful, awesome, raw, thaw, draw, saw, hawk, paw, yawn, crawl

ew

/ōō/	/yōō/
chew, blew,	few, nephew,

ui

/ōō/
fruit, juice, suit, cruise

ae

<u>/ē/</u>	<u>/ā/</u>
algae, Caesar	sundae, aeolian, aerobic, aerospace

oe

<u>/ō/</u>	<u>/ē/</u>
hoe, toe, woe	Phoenix, Phoebe, amoeba

au

<u>/ō/</u>	<u>/ū/</u>	<u>/ǻ/</u>
auto, haul, cause, haunt, taut, applause, cautious, launch	because	aunt (This is how some pronounce it, but many others say: /ōnt/.)

oa

<u>/ō/</u>	<u>/ō/</u>
boat, coat, toast, throat, moat, coach, oak, oat, road, foam, load	broad, broaden, broadcast

ea

/ē/	/ĕ/	/ā/
reach, feast, please, heap, lead, sea, plead	spread, thread, lead dread, health	yea, great, steak, break

ie

/ē/	/ĕ/	/ī/
brief, diesel, relieve, niece, yield, movie, piece, chief	friend	tie, lie, pie, die

eo

/ē/	/ĕ/
people, theory	leopard, jeopardy

ee

/ē/
see, peel, eel, kneel, free, seed

ay

/ā/	/ī/
play, day, say, sway,	aye

ai

/ā/	/ǎ/	/ě/	/ī/
paid	plaid	said	Kai
wait	daiquiri	again	Yavapai
paint		against	Bonsai
main			Samurai

ey

/ā/	/ē/
they, whey,	key, turkey, trolley,

ei

/ā/	/ī/	/ĩ/	/ē/
vein	gneiss	forfeit	weird
veil	seismic	foreign	ceiling
beige	heist	counterfeit	caffeine
heir	either	sovereign	either
heinous			deceive
their			seizure

mn

/m/	/n/
hymn, autumn, solemn, column, condemn	mnemonic

mb

/m/
comb, bomb, lamb, dumb, limb, tomb, numb

eigh

/ā/	/ī/
weight	height
eight	
neigh	

igh

/ī/
high, nigh, sigh, night, flight, sight, fight, light, flight, bright, right

kn

/n/

knife, knight, knoll, knot, knit, know, knew, knee, knob, knock, knead
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oul

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would, should, could

wr

/r/

wren, write, wrote, wrinkle, wrench, wrong, wrap, wrath, wrist, wreck
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gn

/n/

gnaw, gnat, gneiss, sign, reign, align, foreign, cologne, campaign, design
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OW

<i>/ō/</i>	<i>/ou-ow/</i>
bow, tow, row, glow, mow, owe, own, low, stow, blow, grow, flow, crow, know	wow, now, owl, bow, cow, how, brown, vow, me- ow, chow, howl, down, clown

OU

<i>/ow/</i>	<i>/ū/</i>	<i>/ōō/</i>
couch, thou house, ounce, pound, sound	young, Doug, cousin, double, trouble, touch, rough, enough	you group soup youth

alk

<i>/ōk/</i>	<i>/ālk/</i>
walk, talk balk, calk stalk chalk	alkali Valkyr

alf

<i>/āf/</i>	<i>/ālf/</i>
half, calf	alpha, alfalfa, alfredo

ear

/r/	/ēr/	/ōr/	/ār/
earn, earl early, pearl learn search heard	ear near hear fear dear gear	heart	wear bear pear

are

/ār/
pare, hare, mare, care, rare dare, aware, share, glare share

pt

/t/	/pt/
ptarmigan	opt
pteranodon	kept
pterodactyl	wept
pterosaur	erupt

ur

/r/
fur, hurt, spur current

ere

/r/	/ēr/	/ār/
were	here, sphere, severe, sincere	there, where

air

/ār/
air, fair, hair, pair, lair, dairy, chair, fairy

eir

/ār/	/ēr/
their, heir	weird

eer

/ēr/
cheer, deer, career, eerie, sneer, pioneer, engineer

ire

/īr/

fire, tire, admire, hire,
wire, entire, umpire

oor

/ōr/

door, moor,
poor, floor

yr

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lyre

/ēr/

lyrics

/r/

syrup, myrrh, martyr,
myrtle, porphyry

ar

/ōr/

car, far,
are, tar,
ark start,
smart,
guard

/ōr/

warm, polar, solar,
ward, quartz,
quarter
warn, warning

/ār/

parody,
carry,
primary,
various

oar

/ōr/
oar, boar, board, roar, soar, coarse

or

/ōr/	/r/
or, for, orb, nor, form, cork, horn, north, support, no- torious, airport, sword, chord,	worm, worry, world, work, word, tumor, visor, color, counselor, honor, junior, favor

ore

/ōr/
ore, tore, more, core, yore, store, chore, snore, score, adore

our

/ou-ow/	/ōr/	/r/
our, flour, hour, sour, devour	your, pour, four, court	nourish, journal, tournament, tam- bourine

R r

/r/
red, run, room, bear, scarf, real, right, ride, dry, try, cry, germ, rose

ed

/ēd/ (ends with d or t)	/d/ (ends with voiced sound)	/t/ (ends with unvoiced sound)
bed, fed, handed, landed	loved, tried, canned	danced, kissed, passed

ir

/r/
sir, girl, firm, shirt, skirt, bird, dirt, swirl, shirk, mirth, stir

er

/r/	/ār/
her, per, erg, berm, other, lower, never, after, tiger, water, mercy	era, peril, merit, sheriff, err, Perry, terror, berry

L l

/l/
lip, list, lot, love, like, hill, hall, mall, bell, sell

oi

/oi/
oil, foil, boil, soil, coin, join, moist, voice, noise, poisonous

oy

/oi-oy/
toy, boy, buoy, joy, oyster, royal, loyal, destroy

le

/ul/	/l/
Purple, simple, bubble, candle, ankle, sale, maple	Pole, vole, hole, stole, whole

ink

/ēnk/
sink, pink, rink, tinker, think, shrink, drink, link, ink, blink

ung

/ŭng/
lung, hung, sung, jungle, swung, young

onk

/ōnk/	/ŭnk/
bonk, honk, donkey	monk, monkey

ank

/ānk/
sank, stank, lanky, ankle, bank, ankylosaurus, tank

ing

/ēng/

ring, kingdom,
sing, bring,
sting, thing,
ding, ping

X x

/ks/	/ksh/	/gz/	/z/
box	anxious	exaggerate	xenolith
axe		exalt	xenon
six		exude	xanthan
wax		exam	Xerox
galaxy		exhort	Xander
Phoenix		anxiety	

ong

/ōng/

bong, gong, dong,
song, long, tongs,
belong, strong

ang

/āng/

hang, bang,
sang, fang,
angry,
angle,
anguish

W w

/w/	/silent/
watch, window, wall, wind, witch, water, wait, wide, away	write, wren, wrinkle, wrench, wrong, two, sword, answer, who, whose

SU

/sü/	/zü/	/sōō/	/shöö/	/shōō/	/zhü/	/sw/
sun sud sub sunk such	usury	super suit Sue assume	sugar sure assured	issue tissue	closure leisure unusual measure	suede persuade suite assuage

wh

/wh/	/h/ (silent w)
whale, when, where, what, which, while, wheel, wheat	who, whole, whom, whose

sh

/sh/
she, share, shoe, fish, dish, trash

si/ssi

/sh/	/zh/	/sī/	/zī/	/sī/	/sē/	/zē/
mansion	fusion	sit, six	basil	silo	sing	cesium
tension	torsion	oasis	music	sign	single	limousine
mission	version	gossip	resist	size		cuisine
Russia		sick	visit	silent		amusing
			deposit			

ci

/sī/	/sī/	/sē/	/sh/	/ch/
city	exercise	associate	special	financial
acid	cite	species	social	ancient
civil	society		atrocious	
pencil	science		special	
council			glacier	

ti

/tī/	/tī/	/tē/	/sh/	/shē/
titan	timid	patio	notion	negotiate
tidy	until	tinker	partial	initiate
retired	festival	critique	animation	substantiate
	multitude		militia	

unk

/ũnk/
sunk, hunk, chunk, plunk, funky, chip- munk, drunk, junk

V v

/v/	/f/
very, van, violet, vase, violin, oven, over, Beverly	Have (in relaxed speech, as in: "Do I have to?")

ce

/s/	/sě/	/ch/	/sh/
ice, face, spruce	cent, cement	cello, bocce	ocean, licorice

ph

/f/	/v/
phone, graph, alphabet, elephant	Stephen

F f

/f/	/v/
off, stuff, fun, fish	of

tch

/ch/
watch, latch, Dutch hatchet, ketchup Dutch, pitcher, itch

tu

/tū/	/tū/	/ch/
tub, tug	tube, tulip	future actual spatula

S s

/s/	/z/
said, so soup, cats pots, trucks	eggs, is has, was boys, girls

Z z

/z/	/s/
zoo, zipper zig-zag	quartz, pizza Switzerland

ge

/j/	/zh/	/jě/	/jē/	/gě/
age huge singe change	garage	gem, gel ginger apologetic	geode geology	get geco tiger anger together

J j

/j/
jelly, jam, jump, juice, jig, job, jog, jug, jaguar, jolly

th

/th/	/th/ (voiced)
thing, thank, teeth, bath	the, this, there, these, them

dge

/j/
badge, judge hedge, fridge, edge

Q q

/k/
Iraq, aqua, quack squirrel, quiet

ch

/ch/	/k/	/sh/
chin French cherry	school chorus ache	machine brochure

que

/k/
torque, plaque unique, antique mosque

qu

/kw/	/k/
quack, quick quality, quiet	quart queue mesquite

gue

/g/
rogue, vogue colleague, fatigue plague, tongue

gm

/m/
phlegm, diaphragm, paradigm

K k

/k/	/silent/
kiss, king, kangaroo, kite	knight, knife, knoll, knot

C c

/k/	/s/
cat, can, cot, corn, cut, curl, cup	cent, cell, cider, city, cycle

T t

/t/
top, time, pat cat, tat, little settle, mitt

D d

/d/	/j/
dad, bed slide, den, dig	graduate soldier schedule

gh

/g/	/f/
ugh, ghost,	rough, laugh

G g

/g/	/j/
gas, girl, give, bag, log, egg	gym, gem, giant, giraffe

B b

/b/	/silent/
Bill, Bob, buck	comb, crumb

M m

/m/
mom, milk, my, money, man marbles, team, some, ham

P p

/p/	/silent/
porcupine pop, pastry poodle, print puddle	Pneumonia psychiatry pterosaur Ptarmigan

ck

/k/
truck, trick, track brick, flick picnicking, lick

U u

/ū/	/yū/	/ū/	/w/	/ū/	/silent/
flute	huge	up	persuade	put	buy, guy
tube	fuel	umbrella	suite		busy
blue	cute	rug	quick		build
super	union	focus	language		guard

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no go so open	ostrich, hot, hop, top, Bob, on	son, love, of, money, ton	do, to, move, who, prove

N n

/n/
no, none, Nancy nice, new, and, soon on, one, answer

H h

/h/	/silent/
happy, hot, hello	ghost, herb

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be, me we, he epitome	bed, led red, yes neck men	Eva, Thea Hosea omega beta

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acorn	ant	any	swan	a
angle	apple	says	wash	was
able	bat	many	ball	about
aphid	tan	pleasant	want	what

Y y

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my, by	crystal	any	yes, you
sky	myth	lady	yo-yo
guy	bicycle	city	yellow
eye	analyst	busy	yawn
style	mystery	baby	royal

I i

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I, hi	zip	curious	ammonia
kind	music	serious	onion
idea	sister	taxi	Daniel
find	six	radius	senior
child	dig	studio	bullion