

Free Pronunciation Guide - 5 Difficult Words to Pronounce Like a Brit

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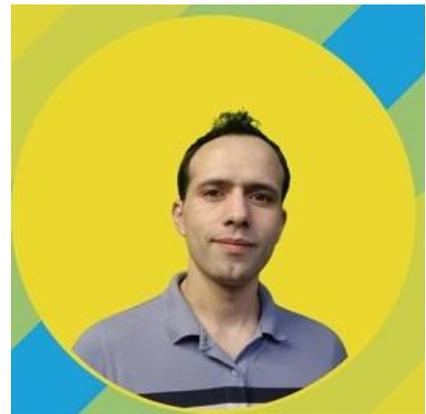
 **Fix Your British Pronunciation in 5 Minutes**

Welcome, language adventurer!

Some English words just don't sound the way they look — and that's where this **Free Pronunciation Guide** comes in!

These are the words that:

- Make you second-guess yourself in conversations
- Seem easy... until you hear a native say them
- Show up in exams, podcasts, meetings, series and films



In this **Free Pronunciation Guide**, you'll get:

-  IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet) transcriptions,
-  Fun, memorable pronunciation hacks and
-  A short video explaining how to pronounce each word all in clear Modern RP (Standard Southern British English) **GB**

Let's get into it!

🧠 5 Tricky Words You Need to Learn!

◇ 1. Hierarchy

IPA: /'haɪrə:ki/

💡 **Tip:** Say it like: **Hiya – Ra – Key**

Stress on the first syllable. The rest flows smoothly.

▶ **Watch the short here:** [Stop Saying 'Hierarchy' Like That!](#)

[Learn the Real British Pronunciation with Luke Thomson gb](#)



◇ 2. Comfortable

IPA: /'kʌmfətəbl/

💡 **Tip:** Not *com-for-ta-bul* — say: **COMFTUHBUL**

Native speakers drop the middle like it's hot.

▶ **Watch the video here:** [Stop Saying "com-for-ta-ble"! Fix Your](#)

[Pronunciation With This Trick! gb - YouTube](#)



◇ 3. Queue

IPA: /kju:/

💡 **Tip:** Spelled like a mess, pronounced like the letter "Q".

One sound. One syllable. English chaos at its finest.

▶ **Watch the video here:** [Stop Saying 'Queue' Like That! Say it Like a Brit gb](#)



◇ 4. Squirrel

IPA: /'skwɪrəl/

💡 **Tip:** Break it into two beats: **SKWI – rul**

It's famously tough — but when you get the flow, it clicks.



▶ Watch the video here: [🎧 Stop Saying 'Squirrel' Like That! Fix Your British Pronunciation with This Trick GB 🇬🇧 - YouTube](#)

◇ 5. Worcestershire

IPA: /'wɒstəʃə/

💡 Tip: Say it like: **WUSS-tuh-shuh**

Forget half the spelling — trust your ears, not your eyes.

In this short, I shadow Luke from Luke's English Podcast to help you nail it.

▶ Watch the short here: [🎧 Stop Saying 'Worcestershire' Like That! Fix it in 12 Seconds! GB - YouTube](#)



But why should you learn British English with *me*?

I've spent more than **10 years teaching English face-to-face**, and over **3 years teaching online** to students from all over the world. I'm fully qualified — teaching licence, Bachelor's degree in English, TEFL, and a pile of specialist training — but that's not really the point.

The real turning point came when I **moved to Cambridge, England, for a year**. Living there, speaking with locals every day, something clicked. I'd hear things like:

"I thought you were British." (tour guide in Bath)

"You don't sound Spanish — how did you get this accent?"

"Your English is very good!"



That wasn't luck. It was years of obsessively training my pronunciation, diving deep into phonetics, shadowing native speakers and stripping away all the nonsense most textbooks teach.

And here's what I realized while living in Cambridge:

Most English courses — even the ones in Cambridge — don't actually teach you what real, modern English is like.

After returning home, I made up my mind. I wanted to create content that actually helps learners reach **fluency** and **accuracy** — the kind you hear in real conversations, not in **outdated materials** or **scripted exercises**.



Here's the honest truth...

You *could* spend **months** (or **years**) on a **big-name platform**:

-  Receiving AI-generated “feedback” that doesn't actually fix your problems,
-  Following a one-size-fits-all method that **bores** you to death,
-  Using materials written by underpaid teachers who aren't fully qualified...
-  All while rich companies hide their **real prices** behind endless forms

These platforms avoid genuine teacher-student connection — rotating instructors, giving you impersonal sessions, and tracking your “progress” with half-baked AI systems.

And how do I know this? **I've worked for them.**

Or...

You could learn with someone who's actually done it — and helped thousands of learners do it, too.

Now, with **11K+ people following my work on YouTube** and thousands of students helped since early 2025, I offer **you** the kind of training I wish I'd had when I started — **clear, practical, modern British English you can use immediately.**

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Thanks for joining me,

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