

# WAS YOUR ASS SAVED?

## SECTION 2.1: PRONUNCIATION PREDICAMENTS

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This is the way to find out! As this section concentrated on pronunciation problems, I'm going to give you some exercises that will help you focus on pronunciation more naturally. We have everything from Tongue Twisters to determining how a word sounds, and more! Of course, I cannot hear you as you say the words out loud (I have a lot of Superhero power, but not that much). It would help a lot if you said these to someone you love and have them give you feedback as to how you sound. If you don't want to spit on anyone you love, then try recording yourself as you say these. It's a really insightful way to find out how you sound to others! Good luck. Open wide, this isn't going to hurt a bit.

## CHAPTER 14

Which words end in a Z sound, and which ones end in an S sound?

1. laughs
2. prices
3. washes
4. months
5. answers
6. quizzes
7. aunts
8. sizes
9. calls
10. it's

### ANSWERS

1. S sound
2. Z sound
3. Z sound
4. S sound
5. Z sound
6. Z sound
7. S sound
8. Z sound



9. Z sound
10. S sound

## CHAPTER 15

**Tongue Twisters - try saying these sentences slowly at first, and then faster and faster! Good luck!**

1. Father, mother, sister, brother – holding hands with one another.
2. They threw thirty-three thick things through three windows near the trees.
3. Thirty thousand thumbs thumbed on thirty thousand drums.
4. Three hundred thin thieves thought that they were thick.
5. This Thursday there were thirty threats of thunder.

**Do the following words have the *blown* or *buzzed* TH sound?**

1. them
2. south
3. thought
4. therefore
5. therapy
6. nothing
7. than
8. earth
9. thousand
10. other

## ANSWERS

1. buzzed
2. blown
3. blown
4. buzzed
5. blown
6. blown
7. buzzed
8. blown
9. blown
10. buzzed

## CHAPTER 16

**Tongue Twisters! Don't try these at home. (That was a joke. Please try them at home. And at your office. And in your car. And in the bath. Thank you!)**

1. The flea flew to the fly in the valley and they fought like villains.
2. Vicky, the friendly vegan, went to Vietnam to forage for very fancy vines.
3. Frank Vandross found seventy four felt vases and varnished them with felt.
4. Half of the leaves were living in the belief that they had to leave the vine in the forest valley.
5. Her proof that the veil was safe was such a failure that it did not prove that they were very safe after all.

**Try saying these pairs of words as fast as you can without spitting on someone!**

1. safe/save
2. live/life
3. file/vile
4. believe/belief
5. proof/prove
6. veal/feel
7. fine/vine
8. off/of
9. grieve/grief
10. leaf/leave

