

HOMOPHONIC LETTER GROUPS

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This article deals with letter groups having the same sound, namely Homophonic Letter Groups. These fall into 2 categories:

1. Those which are pronounced as when reciting the letters of the Alphabet A B C etc
2. Those which are NOT pronounced as the letters of the Alphabet

HOMOPHONIC LETTER GROUPS (pronounced A, B C etc)

A A AE AI AIS AY AYE E EA EE EH EI EIGH EII EILLES ET EY EZ UET

18 different homophonic letter groups make the sound A

DALE RAE TRAIN CALAIS CLAY FAYE SOUFFLÉ STEAK NEGLIGEE
EH REIGN EIGHT POMPEII MARSEILLES BALLET GREY NEZ (pince)

BOUQUET

phrases: ai.... BRAIN DRAIN

eigh...EIGHTEEN EIGHTY

ay.... MAY DAY

other phrases: EIGHT ATE FREIGHT TRAIN GAYNOR FAYE (an actress)

two like sounds in one word: DAYBREAK GATEWAY ELYSÉE WAYLAID

B BBIE BBY BE BEA BEE BEY BI BIE BY

ROBBIE LOBBY BEING BEADY BEEN SABEY (surname) GOBI

BARBIE BABY

sentence: MAYBE ROBBIE'S BISTRO BEAT SABEY'S ?

C CAE CE CEA CEE CEI CEY CI CIE CY SE SEA SEE SEY SI SEI SIE

CAESAR RECEDE CONCEAL SUCCEED CEILING SPACEY (surname) ICI

RUNCIE FANCY SETAE CHELSEA OVERSEE CASEY SIKH SEIZE

SIEMENS
(surname)

two like sounds in one word: **SECEDE**

D DDY DE DEA DEE DI DIE DY

DADDY DETOUR DEAN DEED AUDI ADIE (surname) SHANDY

two like sounds in one word: **DEEDY**

E AE E EA EE EI EIGH EY I IE IS IT IX OE Y

AMOEBAE PLACEBO TREACLE FLEE CEILING RALEIGH KEY SKI

BRIE FILIGRIS CONDUIT CHAMONIX PHOEBE PASTRY

phrases: ea...BATTERSEA (dog's home) PLEA

ee...FREE GUARANTEE ROWNTREE JUBILEE

eigh...BURLEIGH RALEIGH

ey...NOSEY DONKEY

ie... MARIE CURIE JULIE CHRISTIE

y...SILLY BILLY TASTY PASTRY

two like sounds in one word: **EASY KEELEY GREEDY SLEEPY PHOEBE**

QUEENIE ELY SNEAKY SEALYHAM (dog)

F EF EFF OEFF

CLEFT EFFORT STEFF GEOFF

G GE GEA GEE GIE GY JE JEA

GEUM CONGEAL BUNGEE ANGIE MANGY JESUS JEAN

two like sounds in one word: **GEOLOGY**

H ACH AITCH AT ETCH

RACHAEL AITCH NATURE GRETCHEN

I AI AILLES AYE EI EYE I IE IGH UY Y YE

SAMURAI VERSAILLES AYE GEIGER EYE IRATE PIE NIGHT BUY SPY RYE

phrases: ai...THAI BONSAI

igh...THIGH HIGH

y.... FLY BY

two like sounds in one word: EYESIGHT EYELINER IDENTIFY

J GAO JA JAI JAY JEYE

GAOL JANE JAIL JAY JEYES

K CA CAI CAY KA KAY QUET

CAVE CAISTOR (a place) CAYMAN SKATE KAYSER CROQUET

L EL ELL ELLE

EXPEL TELL MOSELLE

M EM EMM

NEMATODE EMMERDALE

N AN EN ENN ENNE

ANY ENLIGHTEN VIENNA VIVIENNE

O AOH AU AULT AULX AUX EAU EAUX EOU EW O OA OE OH OT
OUGH OW OWE

PHARAOH SAUTERNE RENAULT RIEVAULX (Abbey) FAUX PORTMANTEAU

MOLINEAUX SEOUL SEW QUANGO TOAD MISTLETOE SOH DEPOT

THOUGH BORROW LOWE (surname)

phrases: eau.... BEAU CHATEAU

o.....MARCO POLO MUMBO JUMBO BANJO SOLO

ow....LOW BLOW NARROW WINDOW YELLOW PILLOW

THROW ARROW

two like sounds in one word: OVERFLOW OVERLOAD HOMEOWNER

P PEA PEE PI PIE PPY PY

PEAL PEEL PISTE SPIEL HAPPY COPY

two like sounds in one word: PEEPY

Q CU CUE KEW QUE QUEUE

CUTE RESCUE ASKEW BARBEQUE QUEUE

R A AA AH AL AR ARR ARE

MA BAA SHAH PSALM STAR CARR ARE

phrases: ar.....STAR'S CAR

S ES ESCE ESS ESSE

ESCORT FLUORESCENCE BLESS FINESSE

two like sounds in one word: ESTIMABLENESS

T TEA TEE TIE TTY TY

TEAK STEEP AUNTIE JETTY NASTY

U EAU EU EW EWE IEU IEW U UE UEUE UGH UT UU YEW YOU

BEAULEIGH EUSTACE CURFEW EWE LIEU VIEW USE DUE QUEUE

HUGH DEBUT VACUUM YEW BAYOU

phrases: ew...CHEW STEW HEW YEW

ue... FORTESCUE ISSUE

ugh...HUGH PUGH

other phrases REVIEW CURFEW NEW MENU DUE

two like sounds in one word: EUPHUE (note: the two like sounds are reversals)

V VE VEA VEE VEY VI VY

VEGAN VEAL VEET HARVEY VISA IVY

X ECKS ECS EKS EX

PECKS SPECS TREKS MEXICO

Y WHI WHY WI WY WYE

WHITE WHY WIRE WYCLIFFE (surname) WYE (river)

Z ZED

ZEE (US) DIZZY JERSEY FRENZY

A B C D E F G DALE SABEY SEES DEAN'S CHIEF EFFORT CONGEAL

HOMOPHONIC LETTER GROUPS (not pronounced A, B C etc)

A AS AUR AW AWER OAR OER OOR OORE OR ORE ORT OUR

STALL ARKANSAS DINOSAUR JIGSAW DRAWER BOAR BOER DOOR

MOORE DIOR BEFORE RAPPORT CONTOUR

phrases: aw....SCRIMSHAW FLAW

oor...INDOOR FLOOR

ore... THEODORE GORE

our...FOUR TOUR

ADE AID AYED EIGHED EYED

PARADE BRAID PLAYED WEIGHED GREYED

sentences: ade.... JADE MADE HOMEMADE MARMALADE

aid.... LAID STAID UNDERPAID MAID

AGNE AIGN AIN AINE ANE AYNE EIGN EIN EINE EYN

CHAMPAGNE CAMPAIGN ENTERTAIN UKRAINE HUMANE WAYNE

FEIGN SKEIN SEINE FONTEYN (Margot)

phrases: ain....BRAIN DRAIN CHILBLAIN PAIN MAIN DRAIN

aine... GERMAINE FONTAINE

ane....INSANE SHANE JANE LANE

yne... JAYNE WAYNE

AIGHT AIT ATE EAT EIGHT

STRAIGHT WAIT CONTAMINATE GREAT FREIGHT

phrase: eight...FREIGHT WEIGHT

sentence: ate... REIGATE KATE ATE DATE

AIL AILLE ALE AYAL EIL OAL

BEWAILS BRAILLE FEMALE BETRAYAL VEIL GAOL

phrases: ail.... FRAIL GAIL BAIL DETAIL CURTAIN RAIL

ale....PALE ALE SALE AIRDALE VALE DINSDALE INVERDALE
(a name)

AIR AR ARE AYR AYRE AIRE EAR EIR ER ERE

PAIR SARAH CARED AYR FAYRE AIREDALE WEAR HEIR HER THERE

phrases: air.... FAIR HAIR ALISTAIR BLAIR

are...RARE TUPPWERWARE DELAWARE FANFARE DARE CLARE?

aire...ROSSLAIRE LEGIONNAIRE

ere...WERE THERE?

eir.... THEIR HEIR

sentence: are... DARE CLARE KILDARE WEAR HER MOHAIR SWIMWEAR?

AIS AISE AIZE ASE AYS AZE EIGHS EYS

RAISIN RAISE MAIZE PHASE BRAYS GRAZE NEIGHS OBEYS

phrases: aise...PRAISE GERVAISE

ase....ERASE PHRASE

ays...DELAYS RELAYS

aze...BLAZE HAZE

eighs..WEIGHS SLEIGHS

AYES EIS EYES IS IES IGHS ISE IZE UYS YES YS

AYEAYES HEIST EYES ALIBIS TRIES SIGHS ENTERPRISE SIZE

BUYS DYES PIGSTYS

phrases: ayes....AYEAYE'S EYES

ies....IDENTIFIES BUTTERFLIES OVERFLIES ALLIES

ise...WISE ENTERPRISE

ys... TY'S PIGSTYS

EAS EASE EES EESE EEZE EIGHS EIZE ES ESE EYS ISE

EASTER TEASE KNEES CHEESE SNEEZE LEIGHS (surname LEIGH) SEIZE

ANDES THESE KEYS REPRISE

phrases ase... PLEASE TEASE

ees.... BEES KNEES AGREES FEES

ese.... CHINESE CHEESE

EOUL OAL OLE OLL OUL OWL

SEOUL COAL VACUOLE ROLL SOUL BOWL

phrases: ole.....STOLE FLAGPOLE MOLE HOLE