

**AMERICAN
ACCENT
COACHING**
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PLOSIVE CONSONANTS



SECTION 2 CLASS 2

**GENTLY EXPLODE THE SOUND OUT OF YOUR
MOUTH WITH THESE 6 CONSONANTS**

T/D, B/P, and G/K are consonant pairs, where the same shape in the mouth can create two different sounds, depending on if there are vibrations or just whispered air coming out.

T = D (to do)

D has vibrations

T is whispered

How it's made:

The tip of the tongue taps the roof of the mouth, directly behind the front top teeth, and releases air/vibrations out.

D

How it's spelled:

d: dad, do, dine, did, drive, drawer, idiot, kidding, could, fried

t: sitting, pretty, party, little, fighter, writer, better, seated

My dad didn't dare to drive in the dark.

Freddy's video of the wedding is ready for the children to view.

David is always dusting and tidying up his beautiful home.

T

How it's spelled:

t: teacher, ten, toy, still, start, detail, return, until, yet, guest, eat

ed: mixed, kicked, ripped, laughed, pushed, leased, matched

The town's tallest building is ten stories tall.

Kristin is a fantastic mentor to her volunteers.

The hotel steak comes with mustard and potatoes.



Comparing T and D

Time // Dime

Tore // Door

Right // Ride

Coat // Code

To // Do

B = P (Peanut Butter)

B has vibrations

P is whispered

How it's made:

The lips come together and release air/vibrations out.

B

How it's spelled:

b: bag, basic, boring, bone, robber, probably, substitute, double, blueberry, nobody, mob, robe, pub

The blueberry pie was basic but nobody could beat it.

Bob's job was so boring that he braved poverty to buy a pub and run it.

P

How it's spelled:

P: pee, pretty, pick, pen, price, poor, supper, pupil, staples, support, depends, separate, pop, rap, soap, deep

Stop popping the purple party balloons.

He picked a pretty poor example for preparing the pupils.



Comparing P and B

Pee // Bee

Pike // Bike

Pond // Bond

Poor // Boar

G = K (Kind Guy)

G has vibrations

K is whispered

How it's made:

The back of the tongue reaches up to the soft palate and releases, letting air/vibrations out.

G

How it's spelled:

g: green, go, give, again, ingredient, regular, sag, bag, dig

gue: league, rogue, plague

I got a bag of regular ingredients for the get-together.

Gabby gave Greg five great grammar lessons.

K

How it's spelled:

k: keep, kind, kill, kids, kite, key, kale, kind, taking, weaker, yikes, seek, bank, take, break

c: core, cap, cry, corner, core, cab, cone, cane, recognize, second, practically, faculty, bicycle, picnic

ck: check, heckle, reckless, tackle, pickle, lacking, fucking, gecko, buck, knack

qu: quiet, quite, queen, quintessential, quote, queue



Kate rode her bicycle to the faculty picnic.

The mother took a quick break from the crying, sick baby.

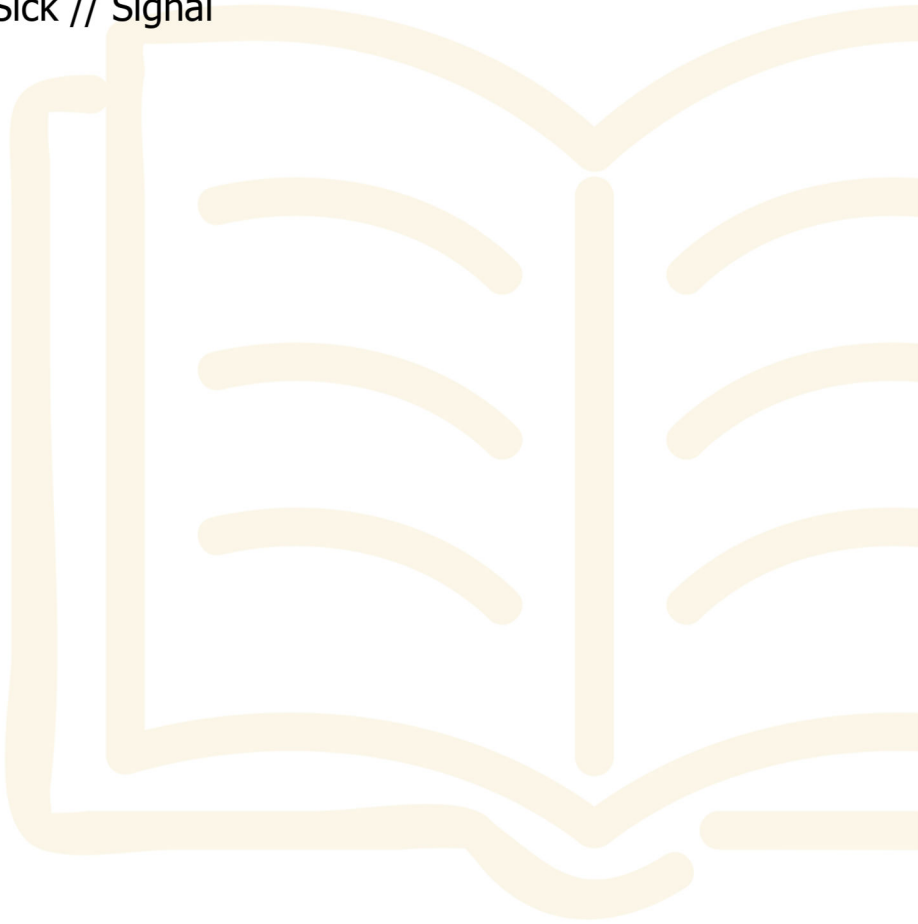
Comparing K and G

Keys // Geese

Crest // Guest

Icky // Iggy

Sick // Signal



HOMEWORK

Practice these sentences aloud daily. Then make up your own. After they feel fairly comfortable in the mouth, try getting these 6 sounds correct in any text--a news article, a script, an email, a recipe, etc.