

Word/Phrase	Part of speech	IPA (UK)	IPA (US)	Definition	Sample sentence
Seeing and hearing					
hear	verb	hɪə(r)	hɪr	to realize that someone or something is making a sound	He listened but didn't hear anything else.
listen	verb	'lɪs(ə)n		to pay attention to a sound, or to try to hear a sound	When he speaks, everybody listens .
look	verb	lʊk		to direct your eyes toward someone or something so that you can see them	Looking closely you could see drops of water on the window.
notice	verb	'nəʊtɪs	'noʊtɪs	to become conscious of someone or something by seeing, hearing, or feeling them	I noticed that the door was open.
observe	verb	əb'zɜ:(r)v	əb'zɜrv	to notice someone doing something, or to notice something happening	Similar trends may be observed in most modern societies.
recognize	verb	'rekəɡnaɪz	'rekəɡ,naɪz	to know who the person is or what the thing is that you are seeing, hearing etc because you have seen, heard etc them before	I hardly recognized you with a beard!
see	verb	si:	si	to notice someone or something using your eyes	She laughed when she saw his expression.
sound	verb	saʊnd		to seem good, bad, interesting, exciting etc according to what you have heard, read, or know	Malta sounds like a great place for a relaxing vacation.
spot	verb	spɒt	spat	to notice someone or something	Hugh was spotted by local police and had to leave quickly.
stare	verb	steə(r)	ster	to look at someone or something very directly for a long time	It's rude to stare .
watch	verb	wɒtʃ		to look at someone or something for a period of time	Have you been watching the election campaign?
Languages					
accent	noun	'æks(ə)nt	'æksənt	a way of saying words that shows what country, region, or social class someone comes from	Tom hasn't lost his Irish accent .
accurately	adverb	'ækjʊrətli	'ækjərətli	in a way that is correct or true in every detail	Have I described the situation accurately ?
bilingual	adjective	bai'liŋɡwəl		someone who is bilingual is able to speak two languages extremely well	She speaks French and Spanish so she is bilingual .
fluently	adverb	'flu:(t)əntli	'fluəntli	spoken well and without difficulty	He speaks English fluently .
idiom	noun	'ɪdiəm		an expression whose meaning is different from the meaning of the individual words	'To have your feet on the ground' is an idiom meaning 'to be sensible'.
monolingual	adjective	ˌmɒnəʊ'liŋɡwəl	ˌmənəʊ'liŋɡwəl	speaking, writing, or using only one language	She only speaks French so she is monolingual .
phrase	noun	freɪz		a group of words that are used together in a fixed expression	Several of those interviewed used the phrase 'being my own boss'.