

[ʃ ʒ θ ð tʃ dʒ] Speaking/Hearing Comparison

With a partner: one person read the syllables below in random order (e.g. 4, 2, 3, 1), and the partner then says what the pattern was. You can start with small groups of syllables, say 1-6, or 7-12, and then move on to larger groups, 1-12. When you speak the syllables, write the sequence you say them in the “said” column, and when listening to the syllables, write the sequence you hear them in the “heard” column. Remember that the vowel [i] is the one heard at the end of the word “ski.” For those who don’t have a partner, a reading of this exercise can be heard at http://www.yorku.ca/earmstro/introducing_the_ipa/audio/speaking-hearing.mp3 and a more challenging version, where parts 1 & 2, 3-5 and 6 & 7 are grouped together, at http://www.yorku.ca/earmstro/introducing_the_ipa/audio/speaking-hearing_2.mp3

Part 1		said	heard
1.	ʃi		
2.	ʒi		
3.	θi		
4.	ði		
5.	tʃi		
6.	dʒi		
Part 2			
7.	iʒ		
8.	iʃ		
9.	ið*		
10.	iθ		
11.	itʃ		
12.	idʒ		

* this sound is missing from the first recording.

Part 3		said	heard
1.	ʃiʃ		
2.	ʒiʒ		
3.	ʃiʒ		
4.	ʒiʃ		
Part 4			
5.	θiθ		
6.	θið		
7.	ðið		
8.	ðiθ		
Part 5			
9.	tʃitʃ		
10.	dʒitʃ		
11.	tʃidʒ		
12.	dʒidʒ		

Part 6		said	heard
1.	ʃiθ		
2.	ʃið		
3.	ʃitʃ		
4.	ʃidʒ		
5.	ʒiθ		
6.	ʒið		
7.	ʒitʃ		
8.	ʒidʒ		
Part 7			
9.	θiʃ		
10.	θiʒ		
11.	θitʃ		
12.	θidʒ		
13.	ðiʃ		
14.	ðiʒ		
15.	ðitʃ		
16.	ðidʒ		

