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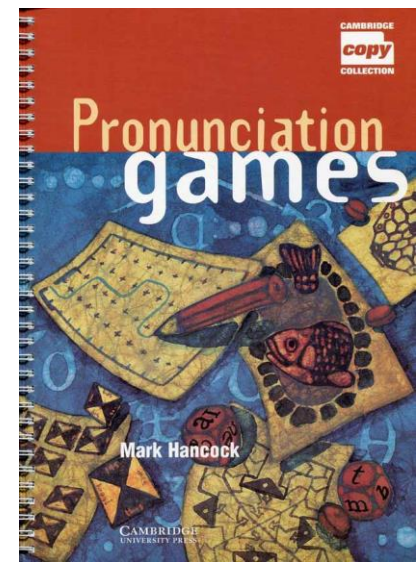
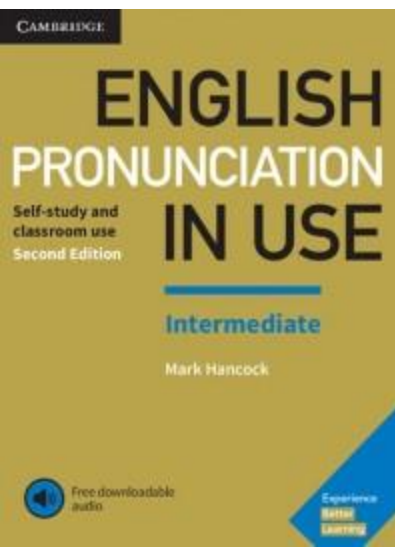
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MAZES, MAPS, RHYMES & RAPS: PRONUNCIATION MADE PRACTICAL

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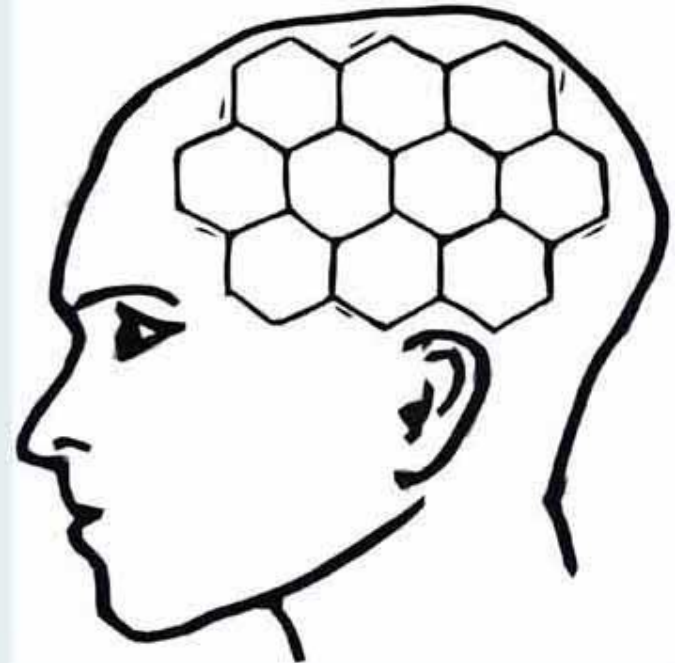
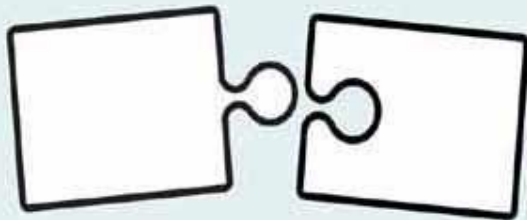
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MAZES

THINK IT!



spelling
patterns



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SHORT

LONG

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other

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plane

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have	plane	plan	made	plays	say	
please	plain	pack	late	park	plate	
hate	rain	what	eight	wash	ways	
pays	ran	man	may	maps	paid	
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Based on an activity in Hancock, M *Pronunciation Games* (CUP)

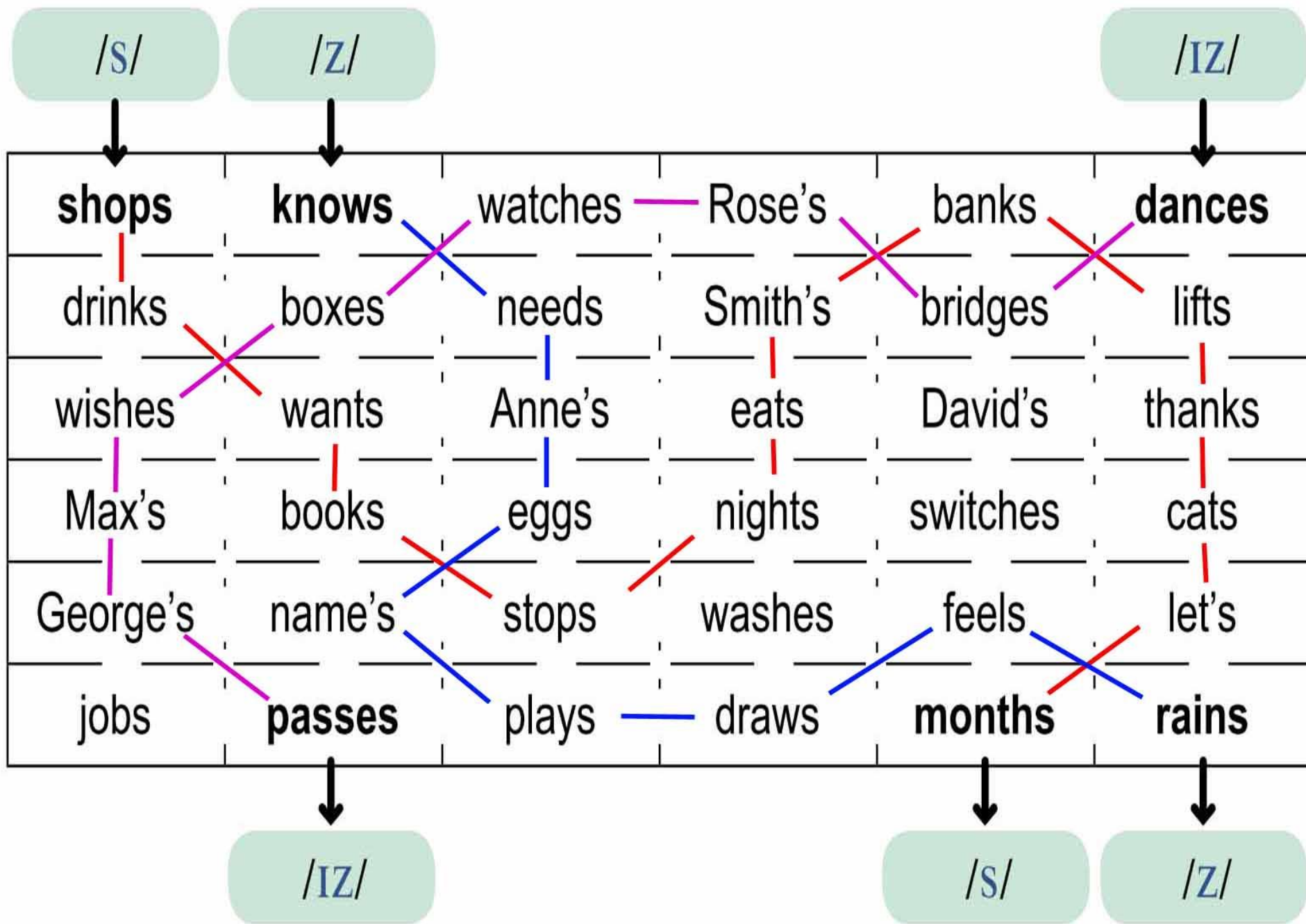


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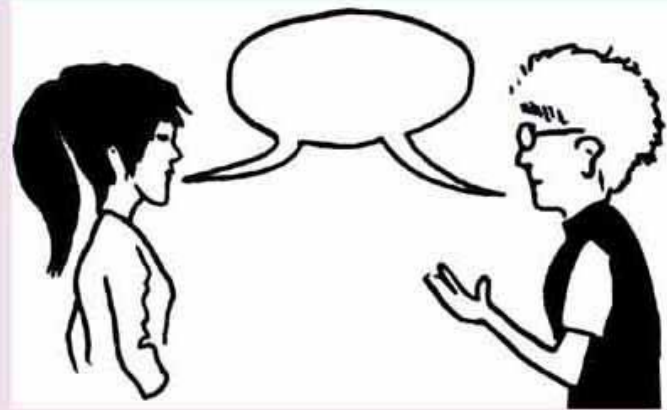
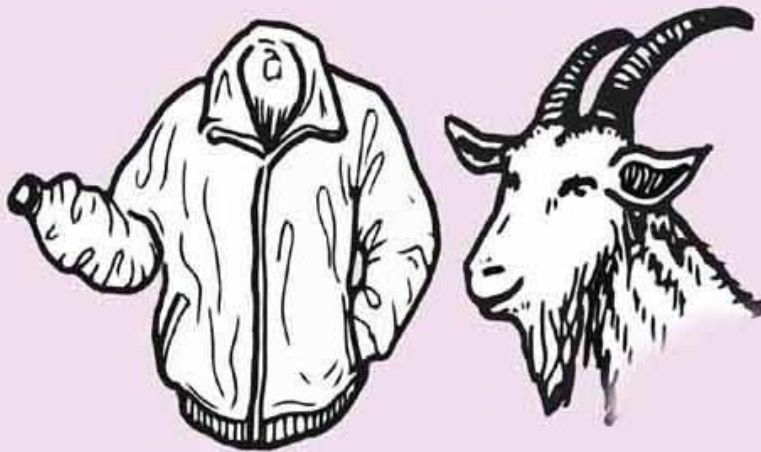
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MAPS

USE IT!



**minimal
pairs**

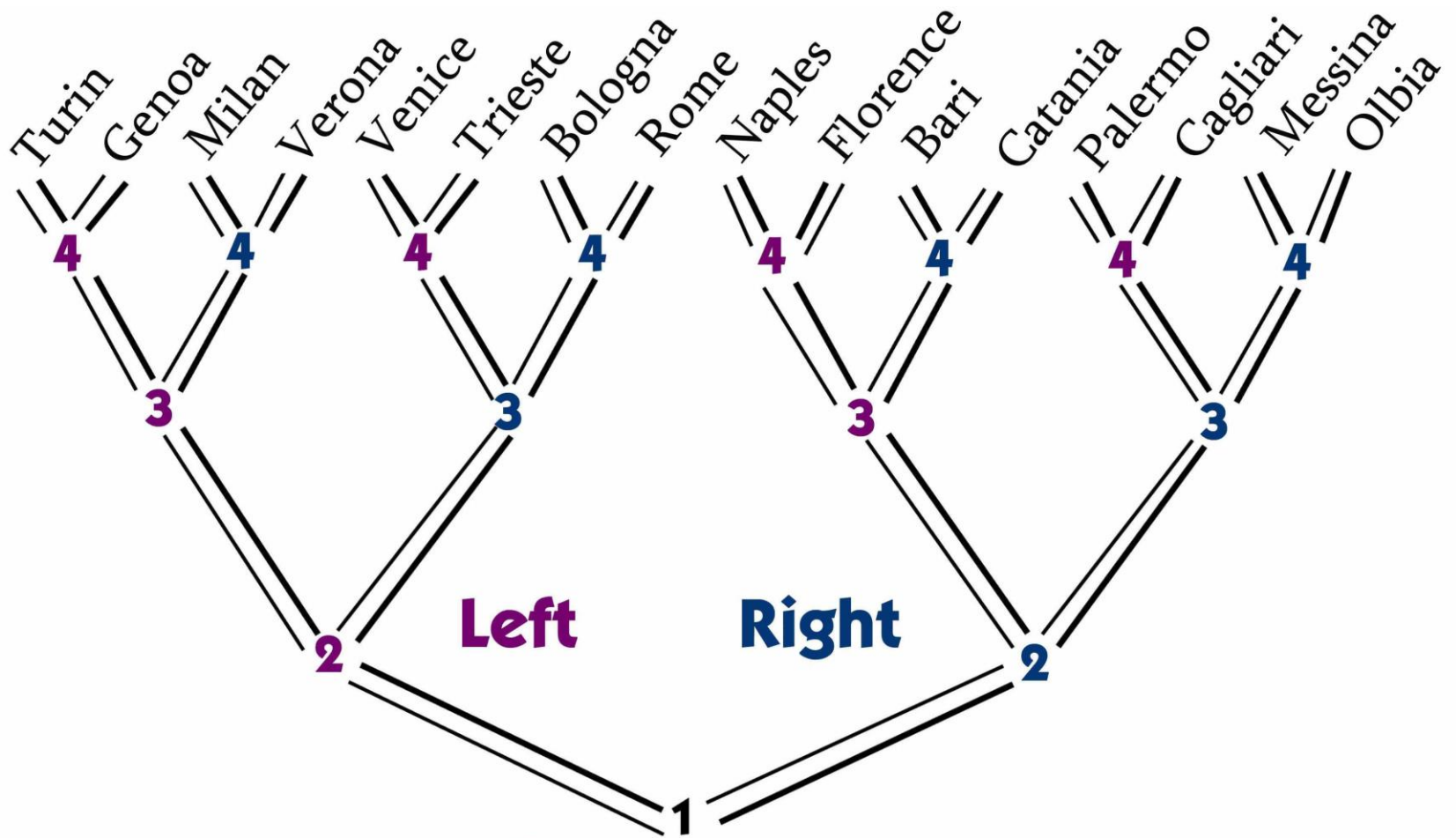


MINIMAL PAIRS

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1 Try to **eat** / **heat** the vegetables.

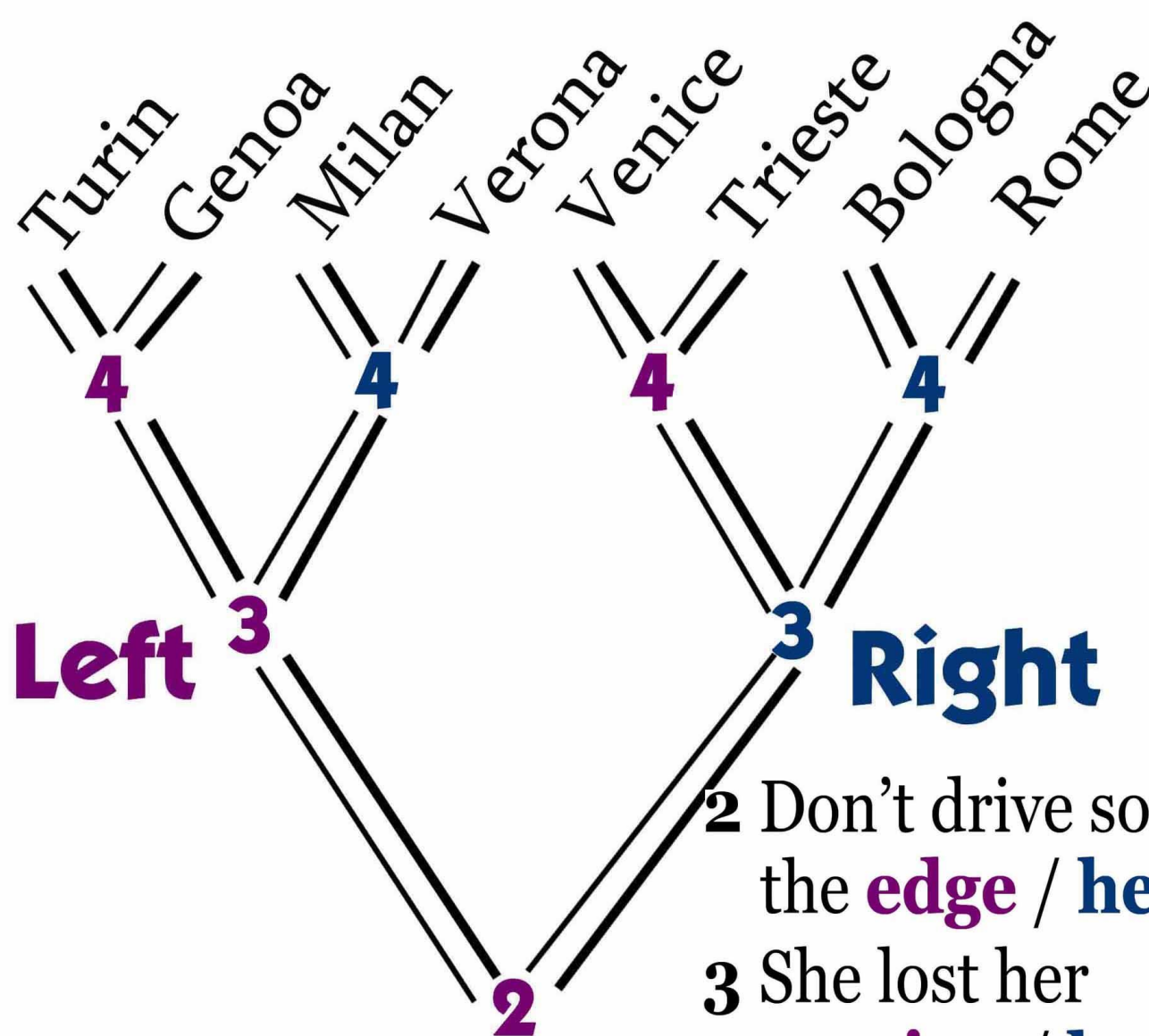
2 Don't drive so close to the **edge** / **hedge**!

3 She lost her **earring** / **hearing**.

4 I need more **air** / **hair**!

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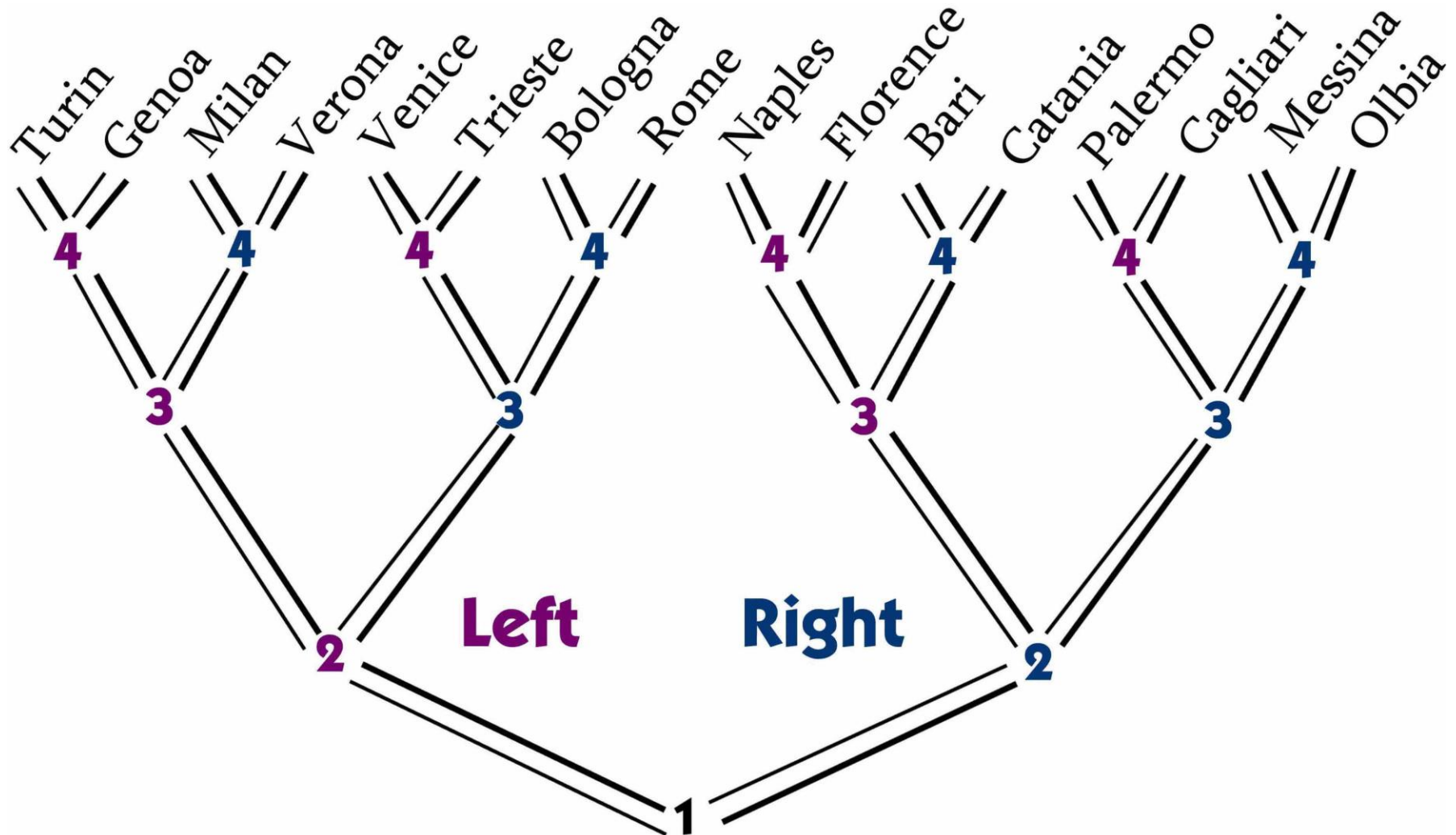
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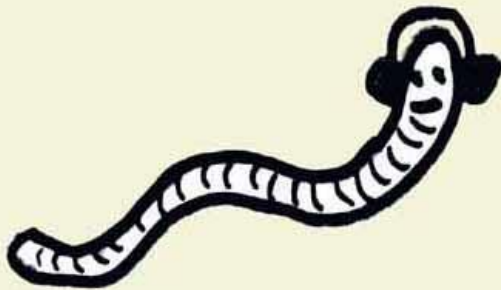
4 I need more **air** / **hair**!





RHYMES & RAPS

HEAR IT!



connected
speech

THE BROTHERS

Ar **θ**ur had a **broð**er
And he **didn't** want **anoð**er
And **of ð**e brothers, **neið**er
Wanted sisters **eið**er
ðe last **θ**ing on **ð**is ear**θ**
ðey wanted was a **birθ**
So Ar **θ**ur's mo**ð**er **Heað**er
Got ðem bo**θ** toge**ð**er
And **told ð**em all good **broð**ers
Should **learn** to share **ð**eir **moð**ers



Accent Variation

θ = f or t **ð** = v or d

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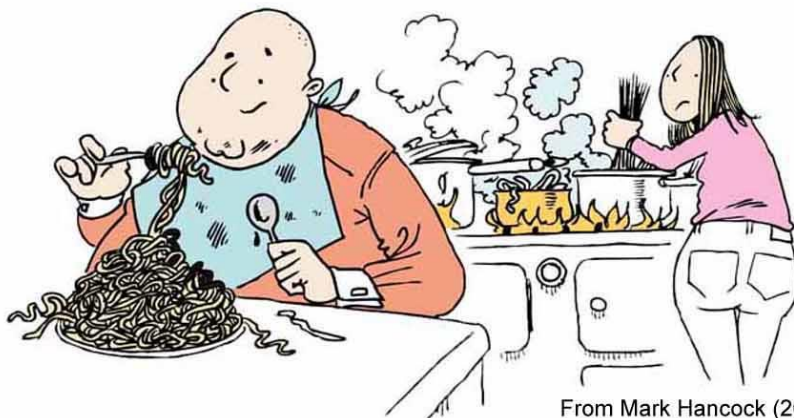


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Mr Porter loves **his** pasta
No one **else** **can** **eat** it **faster**
Mr Porter's sister **Rita**
Buys **the** pasta by **the** **metre**
Mr Porter's **older** **daughter**
Boils it **all** in **tubs** **of** **water**



Key

Bold = stress

Red = schwa

 = link

 = accent variation



A

An ice cream

A sweet fruit

A small cake

A cold juice

B

A nicer cream

A sweeter fruit

A smaller cake

A colder juice



And finally...

Why not rap your coursebook?

CLASSROOM RULES

DO

1. read the rules
2. raise your hand
3. listen carefully

DON'T

4. run in the classroom
5. talk on the phone
6. sit on your desk



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