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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /s/ VERSUS /z/**


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abuse ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ abuse ( <i>v.</i> )	fleece ≠ fleas	peace ≠ P's
ace ≠ A's	force ≠ fours	pence ≠ pens
advice ≠ advise	fussy ≠ fuzzy	pierce ≠ peers
apiece ≠ appease	gross ≠ grows	place ≠ plays
arse ≠ R's	Guinness ≠ guineas	precedent ≠ president
ass ≠ as	hearse ≠ hers	purse ≠ purrs
basi <u>s</u> ≠ basses <u>z</u>	hence ≠ hens	race ≠ raise
Bruce ≠ brews	hiss ≠ his	rice ≠ rise
bus ≠ buzz	house ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ house ( <i>v.</i> )	said ≠ Z ( <i>BrE</i> )
case ≠ K's	ice ≠ eyes	sap ≠ zap
cease ≠ seize	Joyce ≠ joys	sauce ≠ saws
close ( <i>adj.</i> ) ≠ close ( <i>v.</i> )	lace ≠ lays	scarce ≠ scares
countess ≠ counties	less ≠ Les	see ≠ Z ( <i>AmE</i> )
course ≠ cause ( <i>non-rhotic BrE</i> )	lice ≠ lies	sink ≠ zinc
decease ≠ disease	loose ≠ lose	sip ≠ zip
device ≠ devise	Miss ≠ Ms	sown ≠ zone
dice ≠ dies	misuse ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ misuse ( <i>v.</i> )	spice ≠ spies
diffuse ( <i>adj.</i> ) ≠ diffuse ( <i>v.</i> )	moose ≠ moos	tense ≠ tens
else ≠ L's	muscle ≠ muzzle	trace ≠ trays
excuse ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ excuse ( <i>v.</i> )	once ≠ ones	treatise ≠ treaties
face ≠ phase	pace ≠ pays	use ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ use ( <i>v.</i> )
false ≠ falls	pass ≠ parse ( <i>non-rhotic BrE</i> )	worse ≠ whirrs

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /v/ VERSUS /w/**


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V ≠ we	vent ≠ went	vied ≠ wide
vain ≠ Wayne	verse ≠ worse	vile ≠ while
vary ≠ wary	vest ≠ west	Vince ≠ wince
vaulter ≠ Walter	vet ≠ wet	vine ≠ whine
way <u>er</u> ed ≠ way <u>ar</u> d	Vic ≠ wick	viper ≠ wiper
veal ≠ wheel	vicar ≠ wicker	visor ≠ wiser
veered ≠ weird	victual ≠ whittle	volley ≠ Wally
vein ≠ wane	vie ≠ Y	vow ≠ wow

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /d/ VERSUS /ð/**


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breed ≠ breathe	doe ≠ though	odes ≠ oaths
dale ≠ they'll	doze ≠ those	ride ≠ writhe
dare ≠ their	D's ≠ these	side ≠ scythe
Dave ≠ they've	header ≠ heather	teed ≠ teethe
day ≠ they	laid ≠ lathe	udder ≠ other
den ≠ then	lied ≠ lithe	wording ≠ Worthing
dense ≠ thence	load ≠ loathe	wordy ≠ worthy

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /æ/ VERSUS /e/**


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Annie ≠ any	gnats ≠ nets	Patty ≠ petty
axes ≠ X's	knack ≠ neck	rack ≠ wreck
bad ≠ bed	lass ≠ less	sacks ≠ secs
bag ≠ beg	madly ≠ medley	sad ≠ said
ban ≠ Ben	mag ≠ Meg	sand ≠ send
band ≠ bend	marry ≠ merry	sat ≠ set
Barry ≠ bury	mass ≠ mess	slapped ≠ slept
bat ≠ bet	mat ≠ met	tally ≠ telly
batter ≠ better	overlapped ≠ overleapt	tamper ≠ temper
bland ≠ blend	pack ≠ peck	tan ≠ ten
cant ≠ Kent	paddle ≠ pedal	than ≠ then
canyon ≠ Kenyan	pan ≠ pen	track ≠ trek
fanatic ≠ phonetic	parish ≠ perish	vat ≠ vet

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /j/ VERSUS /dʒ/**


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use ( <i>n.</i> ) ≠ juice	yard ≠ jarred	yeti ≠ jetty
yacht ≠ jot	yaw ≠ jaw	yin ≠ gin
yak ≠ Jack	year ≠ jeer	yoke ≠ joke
Yale ≠ jail	yell ≠ gel	you ≠ Jew
yammer ≠ jammer	yet ≠ jet	you'll ≠ joule

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /əʊ/ OR /oʊ/ VERSUS /aʊ/**


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arose ≠ arouse	float ≠ flout	phoned ≠ found
blows ≠ blouse	foal ≠ foul	poach ≠ pouch
boat ≠ bout	groaned ≠ ground	pro ≠ prow
clone ≠ clown	hole ≠ howl	sews ≠ sows
coach ≠ couch	hose ≠ house ( <i>v.</i> )	so ≠ sow ( <i>n.</i> )
crowed ≠ crowd	know ≠ now	stoat ≠ stout
devote ≠ devout	load ≠ loud	tone ≠ town

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /ʃ/ VERSUS /tʃ/**


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shan't ≠ chant	sheet ≠ cheat	shock ≠ choc
share ≠ chair	sherry ≠ cherry	shoe ≠ chew
shat ≠ chat	she's ≠ cheese	shooed ≠ chewed
shatter ≠ chatter	shilling ≠ chilling	shop ≠ chop
sheaf ≠ chief	shin ≠ chin	shopper ≠ chopper
shear ≠ cheer	ship ≠ chip	shore ≠ chore
sheep ≠ cheap	shit ≠ chit	shuck ≠ chuck

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /t/ VERSUS /θ/**


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boat ≠ both	tank ≠ thank	tong ≠ thong
fate ≠ faith	taught ≠ thought	torn ≠ thorn
fort ≠ fourth	team ≠ theme	trash ≠ thrash
got ≠ Goth	tent ≠ tenth	tread ≠ thread
mats ≠ maths	term ≠ therm	trill ≠ thrill
oat ≠ oath	Thai ≠ thigh	true ≠ through
root ≠ Ruth	tick ≠ thick	tug ≠ thug

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**MINIMAL PAIRS: /i:/ VERSUS /ɪ/**


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beach ≠ bitch	green ≠ grin	reach ≠ rich
beat ≠ bit	keen ≠ kin	scene ≠ sin
cheap ≠ chip	lead ≠ lid	seat ≠ sit
cheek ≠ chick	leak ≠ lick	seek ≠ sick
deal ≠ dill	leave ≠ live	sleep ≠ slip
each ≠ itch	meal ≠ mill	steal ≠ still
feel ≠ fill	peach ≠ pitch	teen ≠ tin
gene ≠ gin	peak ≠ pick	weep ≠ whip