

choate, machination, monarch, orchid, orchestra, tetrarch, Mocha, Chersonese, strychnine, melancholy.

Generally in words from Greek, chiefly scientific terms.

Also in a few Italian words as *chiaro-oscuro*, *Machiavēlian*.

Ch represents the sound of **sh** after **l** and **n**, except in *milch*; also in *chagrin* (-grēn'), *chaise*, *chamade*, *chamois* (sham'-wâ), *champagne*, *champaign*, *champerty* (-pâr-tī), *chandelier*, *chaperon*, *charade* (-râd'), *charivari*, *charlatan*, *chasseurs* (-ērs'), *chemise* (-mēz'), *chevron*, *chicane*, *chivalry*.

Generally in words lately borrowed from French.

54. **Gh** initial always stands for **g**.

Its many sounds at the end of a syllable occur only in familiar words, so that there is no danger of mispronunciation, except in *Edinburgh* (-bŭrō), *hough* (hōk), *sough* (sŭf) and *slough* (slŭf, but slow,* not slō nor slū, when it means a bog).

55. **Ph** represents the sound of **f**, except in *nephew* and *Stephen* (nĕv'-ū and Stē'-ven), and in *diphthong*, *triphthong*, *naphtha*, where it has the sound of **p**; *diphtheria* (either dīf- or dīp-).

In *phthisic* (tīz'-ik), *phthisis* (thī'-sis), **ph** is silent.

56. **Th** represents the sound of **t** in *asthma*, *isthmus*, *Thames*, *thyme*.

It should be pronounced as in **the** in the following words: *booth*, *with*, *bequeath*.

Also before **e** mute, as in *seethe*, *lithe*, *blithe*, *loathe*, and in the following plurals *baths*, *paths*, *laths*, *truths*, *youths*, *oaths*, *sheaths*, *wreaths*.

57. Unaccented **ce**, **ci**, **ti** before **al**, **an**, **on**, **ous**, **ent**, **ence** represent the sound **sh**, as in *ocean*, *optician*, *tertium*, *partial*, *herbaceous*, *spacious*, *conscience*. Before **-ation** **ci** should be pronounced shī-, not sī, as *pronunciation*.

So, too, *nuncio* (nun'-shī-ō), but *halcyon* (hăl'-sī-ōn).

58. **Sc** before **e** or **i** has the sound of **s**, except in *sceptic*, *scirrhus* (skĕp'tic, skīr'-rŭs).

* Here, as always in re-spelled words, **ow** is sounded as in *owl*.