

Difficult spellings – IPA practice

Word	Phonetic spelling	Approximate meaning
chasm	mə 'rɪʃ əs	Governor of HK in the 1970s
bourgeois	'bʊr ʒwa:	beer on tap
hors d'oeuvre	dra:ft	lizard that can change its colour to match its surroundings
czar	kə 'mi: li ən	upper/middle class
draught	ɔ: 'dʒ:v	Russian king
Mauritius	zɑ:	Island and country in the Indian Ocean
chameleon	'mæ kəl həʊz	first course/starter
MacLehose	'kæ zəm	big hole