

# Tongue Twisters for Articulation

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**Good singing needs clear articulation, a neutral head and alert, open torso. Practicing tongue-twisters helps us learn these skills! Please *declaim* the following tongue-twisters, as if you are on stage, speaking to a large audience, without a microphone:**

Something in a thirty-acre thermal thicket of thorns and thistles thumped and thundered threatening the three-D thoughts of Matthew the thug - although, theatrically, it was only the thirteen-thousand thistles and thorns through the underneath of his thigh that the thirty year old thug thought of that morning.

The thirty-three thieves thought that they thrilled the throne throughout Thursday.

Can you can a can as a canner can can a can?

Seth at Sainsbury's sells thick socks.

You cuss, I cuss, we all cuss, for asparagus!

Roberta ran rings around the Roman ruins.

Six sick hicks nick six slick bricks with picks and sticks.

Stupid superstition!

There was a fisherman named Fisher  
who fished for some fish in a fissure.  
Till a fish with a grin,  
pulled the fisherman in.  
Now they're fishing the fissure for Fisher.

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In a pestilential prison, with a life-long lock,  
Awaiting the sensation of a short, sharp shock,  
From a cheap and chippy chopper on a big black block!  
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*by W.S. Gilbert of Gilbert and Sullivan from The Mikado*

Luke Luck likes lakes. Luke's duck likes lakes. Luke Luck licks lakes. Luck's duck licks lakes.  
Duck takes licks in lakes Luke Luck likes. Luke Luck takes licks in lakes duck likes.  
*from Dr. Seuss' Fox in Socks*

If Stu chews shoes, should Stu choose the shoes he chews?

Seventy seven benevolent elephants .