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Pronunciation Practice:

/ sh / /	ch	/
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Voiceless	Voiceless
like the quiet sound "Shhhh"	like a sneeze " Ah-choo!"

Examples: Minimal Pairs

sh oe	chew
sh are	ch air
wi sh	wit ch
sh ip	ch ip
wa sh	wat ch
sh eep	ch eap
ca sh	cat ch
sh eet	ch eat
ma sh	ma tch

Practice pronouncing these sentences:

/ sh / / ch /

1. Wa sh ing ma ch ine	1. Cheese sandwich.
2. Poli sh your sh oes.	2. Chocolate chip cookies.
3. Sh e's wa sh ing the di sh es.	3. Cheddar cheese is not cheap
4. The mu sh rooms and sh rimp	4. Does the bu tch er ch arge
are deli ci ous.	mu ch for the ch ickens?
5. Sh irley sh opped for sh oes.	5. Whi ch ch air did you ch oose?
6. The sh irt sh ould be wa sh ed.	6. Please wat ch the ch ildren in
	the lun ch room.
7. Charlotte speaks English and	7. Wat ch out!
Spani sh .	

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Pronounce these sentences using / sh / and / ch /. Write the phonetic symbols above the bolded letters.

1. Let's ch oose new sh oes.
2 Sho's pating the chapse
2. Sh e's eating the ch eese.
3. Sh erry likes ch erry pie.
4. He paid ca sh for the cat ch of the day.
5. The puppy sh ouldn't ch ew the sh oes.
6. The ch ef prepared a spe ci al di sh .
7. Too mu ch milk makes mu sh y ma sh ed potatoes.

Now listen to each sentence. Then, circle the word you hear to complete each sentence:

- 1. You sure can (shop / chop).
- 2. I didn't see the (dish / ditch).
- 3. It's a silly (wish / witch).
- 4. She brought me the (wash / watch).

8. Please **sh**ine the furni**tu**re with poli**sh**.

- 5. You have a large (share / chair).
- 6. We must fix the (ship / chip).
- 7. Does she have a new (crush / crutch)?
- 8. You completed the (shore / chore).

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Read the following dialogue. Circle the words containing the sound / ch / and underline the words containing the sound / sh / Check your answers with the class. Practice the dialogue aloud with a partner.

Richard: Do you have any change for the washing machine? My wife, Sharon, is visiting her parents in Michigan. I'm watching the children and doing the chores.

Tom: Watch out! Don't put bleach on those shirts. You'll wash out the color.

Richard: Will you teach me how to wash clothes?

Tom: Be sure to wash white shirts separately. Don't use too much soap.

Richard: I wish Sharon would return. It's more natural for a woman to wash and shop.

Tom: You sound like a chauvinist! I don't mind doing chores. I'm great in the kitchen, too! Richard: Would you like to take charge? I'll cheerfully pay you cash.

Tom: Listen, old chap, I'm a bachelor and too old to chase after children. I'm in a rush. It's been nice chatting with you, Richard.

Richard: Sure, nice chatting with you, too, Tom.

(text taken from English Pronunciation Made Simple, Longman)