

## Tape Script - PR 21.1

Eth /ð/ (*than*) vs Zee /z/ (*zip*)

(old symbol: Voiced TH, -TH- vs Zee -z-)

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### PR Tape 21.1 Listening practice for the consonant sounds -TH- (/ð/) and -z- (/z/)

*Part 1:* Listen to the pairs of words. The first word in each pair has the -TH- (/ð/) sound – the same sound you hear in *that*. The second word in each pair has the -z- (/z/) sound – the same sound you hear in *zoo*. Listen:

thee - zee	then - Zen	breathe - breeze
there - Zayre	clothing - closing	bathe - bays
	withered - wizard	

*Part 2:* Tell which word in each group is different. Say “1,” “2,” or “3.” Begin:

*Part 3:* Tell which column each word goes in. Words with -TH- (/ð/) go in column 1; words with -z- (/z/) go in column 2. *Thee* is in column 1; *Zee* is in column 2. Say “1” or “2.”

#### Column 1

thee

#### Column 2

zee

This is the end of PR Tape 21.1.

**(Please wait - the second part of the tape follows a delay)**

### PR 21.1-C Pronunciation practice for the consonant sounds -TH- (/ð/) and -z- (/z/)

*Part 1:* Repeat:

weather  
crazy  
crazy weather  
this  
has

mother  
his  
his mother  
knows  
that  
He knows that his mother is angry.

breathe  
easily  
breathe easily  
there  
You can't breathe easily there.  
because  
the  
You can't breathe easily there because the air's so polluted.

*Part 2:* Repeat the phrases in the box:

freezing weather	they're closed
clothing sizes	they're amusing
husband's brother	they're confusing
they're frozen	they're hazardous

Now say the phrase from that box to complete each sentence you hear.  
Begin:

People laugh at clowns because \_\_\_\_\_.

In winter, Illinois has \_\_\_\_\_.

Ice cubes are hard because \_\_\_\_\_.

A woman's brother-in-law may be her \_\_\_\_\_.

Students dislike English spelling rules because \_\_\_\_\_.

Small, medium and large are common \_\_\_\_\_.

People are afraid of guns because \_\_\_\_\_.

We can't shop in stores late at night because \_\_\_\_\_.

Part 3: Repeat the sentences in the box:

Me, too – his mother and father are always amusing.  
No, but there's no other newspaper here.  
No, the weather was lousy the whole time.  
Never mind – their criticism doesn't bother me.  
We have to underline every *that* clause in these sentences.  
It's okay, but the noise bothers me a little.  
I can't – I have to memorize all these words for the quiz.  
Fine, but I'd rather listen to jazz than country music.

Now, say the sentence from that box which is the best response for each sentence you hear. Begin:

Why don't we go some place and hear some music tonight?

What's our homework assignment for structure class?

Boy, the teachers sure said a lot of bad things about your research paper!

I don't like the local newspaper very much, do you?

Come on and go to the movie with us tonight.

I heard you didn't have a very good vacation.

I really enjoy visiting Sam's family.

Your new apartment is nice.

This is the end of PR Tape 21.1-C.