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Phonemic transcriptions: informal pronunciation of common words, phrases and expressions

INFORMAL PRONUNCIATION	SE FORM	PHONEMIC TRANSCRIPTION
ain't	am not	/eɪnt/
	are not	
cos	because	/kɒz/
coulda	could have	/kʊdə/
could of		/kʊdɒv /
didja	did you	/dɪdʒə/
dunno	don't know	/dʌnəʊ /
doncha	don't you	/dəʊntʃə/
d'ya	do you	/dʒə/
gimme	give me	/gɪmiː/
gonna	going to	/gʌnə/
gotta	got to	/gɒtə/ or /gɒʔə/
gorra		/gɒrə/
gotcha	got you	/gɒtʃə/
ain't	has not	/eɪnt/
	have not	
hafta	have to	/hæftə/
how'dju do	how do you do?	/haʊdʒduː/
playin'	reduced -ing verb suffix	/pleɪɪn/
innit	isn't it	/ɪnɪt/ or /ɪnɪʔ/
kinda	kind of	/kaɪndə/
lotta	lot of	/lɒtə/ or /lɒʔə/
lorra		/lɒrə/
lemme	let me	/lemiː/
musta	must have	/mʌstə/
must of		/mʌstɒv /
oughta	ought to	/ɔːtə/
outta	out of	/aʊtə/ or / aʊʔə /
pr'aps	perhaps	/pəræps/ or /præps/

probly	probably	/ˈprɒbliː/
shoulda	should have	/ʃʊdə/
should of		/ʃʊdɒv/
sorta	sort of	/sɔːtə/
s'pose	suppose	/spəʊz/
wanna	want a	/wɒnə/
	want to	
whassup	what is up?	/wɒsʌp/
woulda	would have	/wʊdə/
would of		/wʊdɒv/
would'ya	would you	/wʊdʒə/
yeah	yes	/jeə/
y'know	you know	/jənəʊ/

FILLERS (non-verbal)

er	/ɜː/
errr	/ɜː:::/
uh	/ʌ/
um	/ʌm/
ummm	/ʌ:::m/

INTERJECTIONS (non-verbal)

ah	/æ/
ahhh	/ɑː:::/
oh	/əʊ/
oooh	/uː:::/

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