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A sound dictionary
"bridging the L1 and L2"

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Problems with "th"

- /th/ as in **think**, **thanks**, **thirteen**...
- this /th/ sounds like the Portuguese "s" for someone who lisps, so they say "sopinha de massa" (students love this!!!)
- this /th/ is underlined for differentiation

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Or is it problems with the other "th"?

- /th/ as in **the, this, that, these, there...**
- not underlined
- sounds kind of like a very soft "d"
- tip of tongue touching top front teeth

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Problems with the "i"

- the letter "i" in the alphabet is pronounced as the Portuguese diphthong /ai/
- in words such as "pink", "fill" or "ill" it's pronounced like the Portuguese letter "i" in our alphabet

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Problems with the "r"

- the letter "r" in the alphabet is pronounced as /ár/
- the "r" as a separate sound is pronounced /re/ ("e" as in love)
- it can appear at the beginning, middle or end of a word: "race" /reiss/, "car" /kár/ and "arrive" /araiv/

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"Yellow" and "red"

- yellow /ié.lou/
- red /réd/

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"Thursday" and "July"

- Thursday /tharz.dei/ (the /a/ as in "agora" or "about")
- July /dju.lai/

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Thanks for getting in touch, Dora!

Hope this has been useful. If you still have doubts, please email me at teredeca@gmail.com

Have a great school year!