

Rhymes may occur in consecutive, or alternate lines, or in any other regular order, at the pleasure of the writer.

Rhymes are of two kinds, perfect rhymes and allowable rhymes. The difference between the two kinds will readily be seen by the following Vocabulary, taken from Walker's "Rhyming Dictionary."*

* On the same principle of association, on which some of the earlier lessons in this volume are founded, it is thought that this vocabulary will aid the student, not only in finding a rhyme, but likewise in suggesting ideas. Dr. Carey, in the Preface to his "English Prosody," says: "It is not with the view of making poets and poetesses that I send forth this publication. That must be the work of nature alone: it is not in my power to create them; and if it were, I might be accused of doing more harm than good, in tempting many of my young readers to quit a gainful calling for the unprofitable trade. My aims are more humble;—1. To teach the learner to read poetry with propriety and grace; 2. To improve and polish his style for prose composition." And, further on, he adds; "Indeed, every person, whether poet or not, who has received any tolerable education, and pretends to write decent prose, ought likewise to be qualified for the occasional production of a few verses, smooth, at least, and metrically correct, whatever may be their merit or demerit in other respects. That the practice of versification materially improves the style for prose composition, there cannot be a doubt. The ear which is acutely sensible to the harmonies of verse, will naturally revolt against inharmonious harshness in prose; and the pains bestowed in searching for a variety of words of different lengths, quantities, and terminations, to suit the exigencies of the metre,—

' the shifts and turns,
Th' expedients and inventions multiform,
To which the mind resorts in chase of terms,
T' arrest the fleeting images, that fill
The mirror of the mind.'

will copiously enlarge the writer's stock of expressions,— will enable him to array his thoughts in a more elegant and attractive garb, and to vary that garb at pleasure, by the ready aid of a diversified phraseology. It will at the same time, produce a more important and beautiful effect,—it will enrich the intellectual store of thought; for, while in search for an epithet, for an example, or a periphrase, he is obliged to view the subject in all its possible bearings and relations, that he may choose such particular word or phrase, as shall exhibit it in the most advantageous light. And what study more effectual to call into action the powers of the mind, to exercise the judgment, to whet the sagacity, and give birth to a variety of ideas, which might otherwise have lain for ever dormant? For these weighty considerations, the practice of verse-making has been recommended by Locke, Chesterfield, Franklin, &c., &c."

The teacher will find the following exercise, called by the French "Bouts Rimes," interesting to the young student, and, like all other inducements to thought, auxiliary to the subject of composition.

"One of a party writes down the rhyming words for a short poem; which another undertakes to complete, by filling up the several verses, on a subject either chosen at pleasure, or prescribed, as the case may be. The following stanza, in which the words in italic are the rhyming words previously assigned, will be sufficiently explanatory of the practice:

*Practise to be lucky Practise to be luck
Share fate in the face— Save your heart and
be easy of the in the night*

LXXV.

VOCABULARY OF RHYMES.

Directions for finding Rhymes.

1. In looking for a word in the following vocabulary, consider the five vowels, *A, E, I, O, U*, and begin at the vowel that precedes the last consonant of the word; for example, to find *persuade*, and the words that rhyme to it, *D* is the last consonant, *A* the vowel that precedes it; look for *ADE*, and you will find *made, fade, invade*, and all the other words of that rhyme.

' TO HOPE.

Down, down, vain hope, to me no	..... more
Can spring return, with blossoms	..... crowned,
Nor Summer ripen Autumn's	..... store,
Which now lies withering on the	..... ground.
Fade, fade, vain Hope! all else has	..... faded;
Why should I dream and cherish	..... thee?
Since dark Despair, that sun has	..... shaded,
Which once gave light and joy to	..... me.
Go, flatterer, go! thy hour is	..... past;
Thy promised pleasures all are	..... vain:
I know they are not meant to	..... last
And ne'er will trust to thee	..... again.'

Another sort of poetical amusement has the name of *Echo Verses*. In these the repetition of the last word or syllable of a verse gives an answer to a question, or explains some subject, which that verse contains. The following echo verses allude to the Roundheads in the reign of Charles the First.

Now, Echo, on what's religion grounded?
Roundhead.
Who's its professor most considerable?
Rabble.
How do these prove themselves to be the godly?
Oddly.
But they in life are known to be the holy.
O lie!
Do they not learning from their doctrine sever?
Ever!
Yet they pretend, that they do edify;
O fie!
What church have they, and what pulpits?
Pits.
Are crosses, images, and ornaments their scandal?
All!
How do they stand affected to the government civil?
Evil.

2. In like manner, if a word end in two or more consonants, begin at the vowel that immediately precedes the first of them; for example, *land*, *N* is first of the final consonants, *A* the vowel that precedes it; see *AND*, and you will find *band*, *stand*, *command*, &c.

3. But if a diphthong, that is to say, two or more vowels together, precedes the last consonant or consonants of a word, begin at the first of these two vowels; thus, to find the rhymes to *disdain*, look not for *IN* but for *AIN*, and you will find *brain*, *chain*, *gain*, &c.

4. To find a word that ends in a diphthong preceded by a consonant, begin only at the first vowel of the diphthong; for example, to find the rhymes to *subdue*, look for *UE*, and you will find *clue*, *due*, *ensue*, &c.

5. All the words that end in a single vowel, preceded by a consonant, are found by looking for that vowel only, except always the words that end in mute *E*, which are constantly found by the same method that has been already prescribed for finding the rhymes to *persuade*, whose final *E* is silent, and serves only to lengthen the sound of the *A* in the last syllable

AB.

Bab, cab, dab, mab, nab, blab, crab, drab, scab stab. *Allowable rhymes* babe, astrolabe, &c. See *Direction 3*.

ACE.

Ace, dace, pace, face, lace, mace, race, brace, chace, grace, place, space, trace, apace, deface, efface, disgrace, displace, misplace, embrace, grimace, interlace, retrace, populace, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, base, case, abase, debase, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, grass, glass, &c., peace, cease, &c., dress, less, &c.

ACH.

Attach, detach, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, batch, match, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, fetch, wretch, &c. See *Direction 3*.

ACK.

Back, cack, hack, jack, lack, pack, quack, tack, sack, rack, black, clack, crack, knack, slack, snack, stack, track, wrack, attack, zodiac, demoniac, symposiac, almanac. *Allowable rhymes*, bake, take, &c., neck, speck, &c.

ACT.

Act, fact, pact, tract, attract, abstract, extract, compact, contract, de tract, distract, exact, protract, enact, infract, subtract, transact, cataract, with the *preterits and participles of verbs in ack*, as backed, hacked, &c. *Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ake*, as baked, caked, &c. See *Direction 3*.

But to the King they say they are most loyal.
Lie all.

Then God keep King and state from these same men.
Amen.

It remains to be observed: 1. That the two corresponding syllables of a rhyme must not only begin their consonance with the accented vowel, but must preserve it through the remaining letters; thus, *text* and *vest*, *song* and *long* echo with one another respectively, in the sounds *ext* and *ong*.

2. The *sounds*, and not the letters, constitute the rhyme. Thus, *muff* and *rough*, *blew* and *grew*, though different to the eye, form an unobjectionable rhyme; but *bough* and *tough*, though similar to the eye, have no similarity in sound.

3. The letter or letters in the syllable which precede the accented vowel, must be different in form and sound, otherwise the consonance will be disagreeable to the ear. Hence, *tend* and the last syllable in *contend sent* and *scant* are not allowable rhymes.

AD.

Add, bad, dad, gad, had, lad, mad, pad, sad, brad, clad, glad, plad, chad, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, cad, fade, &c., glede, bead, read, &c. See *Direction 3*.

ADE.

Cade, fade, made, jade, lade, wade, blade, glade, shade, spade, trade, de grade, evade, dissuade, invade, persuade, blockade, brigade, esplanade, cavalcade, masquerade, renegade, retrograde, serenade, ambushade, cannonade, pallisade, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, aid, maid, braid, afraid, upbraid, &c., and the *preterits and participles of verbs in ay, ey, and eigh*, as played, obeyed, weighed, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, add, bad, &c., bed, dead, &c., bead, mead, &c., heed, need, &c. See *Direction 3*.

AFE.

Safe, chafe, vouchsafe, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, leaf, sheaf, &c., deaf, &c., laugh, staff, &c.

AFF.

Gaff, chaff, draff, quaff, staff, engraff, epitaph, cenotaph, paragraph, &c. *Perfect rhyme*, laugh. *Allowable rhymes*, safe, chafe, &c.

AFT.

Aft, haft, raft, waft, craft, shaft, abaft, graft, draft, ingraft, handicraft. *Perfect rhymes*, draught, and the *preterits and participles of verbs in aff and augh*, as quaffed, laughed, &c. *Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in afe*, as chafed, vouchsafed, &c.

AG.

Bag, cag, fag, gag, nag, quag, rag, tag, wag, brag, crag, drag, flag, knag, shag, snag, stag, wrag, scrag, Brobdignag.

AGE.

Age, cage, gage, page, rage, sage, wage, stage, swage, assuage, engage, disengage, enrage, presage, appenage, concubinage, heritage, hermitage, parentage, parsonage, personage, pasturage, patronage, pilgrimage, villanage, equipage. *Allowable rhymes*, edge, wedge, &c., liege, siege, oblige &c.

AID, see ADE.

AIGHT, see ATE.

AIGN, see ANE.

AIL.

Ail, bail, fail, hail, jail, mail, nail, pail, quail, rail, sail, tail, wail, flail, frail, snail, trail, assail, avail, detail, bewail, entail, prevail, retail, counter-vail, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, ale, bale, dale, gale, hale, male, pale, sale, tale, vale, wale, scale, stale, swale, whale, impale, exhale, regale, veil, nightin-gale, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, peal, steal, &c., bell, cell, &c.

AIM, see AME.

AIN.

Cain, blain, brain, chain, fain, gain, grain, lain, main, pain, rain, vain, wain, drain, plain, slain, Spain, stain, swain, train, twain, sprain, strain, abstain, amain, attain, complain, contain, constrain, detain, disdain, disdain, enchain, entertain, explain, maintain, ordain, pertain, obtain, refrain, regain, remain, restrain, retain, sustain, appertain. *Perfect rhymes*, bane, cane, dane, crane, fane, jane, lane, mane, plane, vane, wane, profane, hurri-cane, &c., deign, arraign, campaign, &c., feign, reign, &c., vein, rein, &c. *Allowable rhymes* lean, mean, &c., queen, seen, &c., ban, can, &c., den, pen, &c.

AINT.

Faint, paint, plaint, quaint, saint, taint, acquaint, attain, complaint, con-

strait, restraint, &c. *Perfect rhyme, feint. Allowable rhymes, cant, pant &c., lent, rent, &c.*

AIR, see ARE.

AISE, see AZE.

AIT, see ATE.

AITH, see ATH.

AIZE, see AZE.

AKE.

Ake, bake, cake, lake, make, quake, rake, sake, take, wake, brake, drake, shake, snake, stake, strake, spake, awake, betake, forsake, mistake, partake, overtake, undertake, bespake. *Perfect rhymes, break, steak, &c. Allowable rhymes, back, rack, &c., beck, deck, &c., speak, weak, &c.*

AL.

Cabal, canal, animal, admiral, cannibal, capital, cardinal, comical, conjugal, corporal, criminal, critical, festival, funeral, general, hospital, interval, liberal, madrigal, literal, magical, mineral, mystical, musical, natural, original, pastoral, pedestal, personal, physical, poetical, political, principal, prodigal, prophetic, rational, satirical, reciprocal, rhetorical, several, temporal, tragical, tyrannical, carnival, schismatical, whimsical, arsenal. *Allowable rhymes, all, ball, &c., ail, mail, &c., ale, pale, &c.*

ALD.

Bald, scald, emerald, &c. *Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in all, aul, and awl, as called, mauled, crawled, &c.*

ALE, see AIL.

ALF.

Calf, half, behalf, &c. *Allowable rhymes, staff, laugh, &c.*

ALK.

Balk, chalk, stalk, talk, walk, calk, &c. *Perfect rhyme, hawk. Allowable rhymes, sock, clock, &c.*

ALL.

All, ball, call, &c. *Perfect rhymes, awl, bawl, brawl, crawl, scrawl, sprawl, squall. Allowable rhymes, cabal, equivocal, &c. See AL.*

ALM.

Calm, balm, becalm, psalm, palm, embalm, &c., *whose plurals and third persons singular rhyme with alms, as calms, becalms, &c.*

ALT.

Halt, malt, exalt, salt, vault, assault, default, and fault, *the last of which is by Pope rhymed with thought, bought, &c.*

ALVE.

Calve, halve, salve, valve.

AM.

Am, dam, ham, pam, ram, sam, cram, dram, flam, sham, swam, epigram, anagram, &c. *Perfect rhymes, damn, lamb. Allowable rhymes, dame, lame, &c.*

AME.

Blame, came, dame, same, flame, fame, frame, game, lame, name, tame, shame, inflame, became, defame, misname, misbecame, overcame, &c. *Perfect rhymes, aim, claim, maim, acclaim, declaim, exclaim, proclaim, reclaim. Allowable rhymes, dam, ham, &c., hem, them, &c., theme, scheme &c., dream, gleam, &c.*

AMP.

Camp, champ, cramp, damp, stamp, vamp, lamp, clamp, decamp, enamp, &c.

AN.

Bar an, dan, man, nan, pan, ran, tan, van, bran, plan, scan, span, than, amman, fore-ran, began, trepan, courtesan, partisan, artisan, pelican, caravan, &c. *Allowable rhymes, bane, cane, plain, mane, &c., bean, lean, wan, swan, &c., gone, upon, &c.*

ANCE.

Chance, dance, glance, lance, trance, prance, entrance, romance, advance, mischance, complaisance, circumstance, countenance, deliverance, consonance, dissonance, extravagance, ignorance, inheritance, maintenance, temperance, intemperance, exorbitance, ordinance, concordance, sufferance, sustenance, utterance, arrogance, vigilance, expanse, enhance.

ANCH.

Branch, stanch, lanch, blanch, ranch, hanch. *Perfect rhymes, launch, paunch.*

AND.

And, band, hand, land, rand, sand, brand, bland, grand, gland, stand, strand, command, demand, countermend, disband, expand, withstand, understand, reprimand, contraband, &c. *Allowable rhymes, wand, fond bond, &c., and the preterits and participles of verbs in ain and ear, as remained, leaned, &c.*

ANE, see AIN.

ANG.

Bang, fang, gang, hang, pang, tang, twang, sang, rang, harangue, clang. *Allowable rhymes, song, long, &c.*

ANGE.

Change, grange, range, strange, estrange, arrange, exchange, interchange. *Allowable rhymes, revenge, avenge, &c.*

ANK.

Rank, blank, shank, clank, dank, drank, slank, frank, spak, stank, lank, plank, prank, rank, thank, disrank, mountebank, &c.

ANSE, see ANCE.

ANT.

Ant, cant, chant, grant, pant, plant, rant, slant, aslant, complaisant, displant, enchant, gallant, implant, recant, supplant, transparent, absonant, adamant, arrogant, combatant, consonant, cormorant, protestant, significant, visitant, covenant, dissonant, disputant, elegant, elephant, exorbitant, conversant, extravagant, ignorant, insignificant, inhabitant, militant, predominant, sycophant, vigilant, potulant, &c. *Allowable rhymes, faint, paint, &c. See AINT and ENT.*

AP.

Cap, gap, hap, lap, map, nap, pap, rap, sap, tap, chap, clap, trap, flap, knap, slap, snap, wrap, scrap, strap, enwrap, entrap, mishap, &c. *Allowable rhymes, cape, tape, &c., cheap, heap, and swap.*

APE.

Ape, cape, chape, grape, rape, scrape, shape, escape, mape, crape, tape, &c. *Allowable rhymes, heap, keep, &c.*

APH, see AFF.

APSE.

Lapse, elapse, relapse, perhaps, *and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of the present tense in ap, as caps, maps, &c., he saps, he laps, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ape and eap, as apes, he apes, heaps, he heaps, &c.*

APT.

Apt, adapt, &c., *rhymes, the preterits and participles of the verbs in ap, as tapped, slapped, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of the verbs in ape, as aped, escaped, &c.*

AR.

Bar, car, far, jar, mar, par, tar, spar, scar, star, chair, afar, debar, unbar
catarrh, particular, perpendicular, secular, angular, regular, popular, singu-
lar, titular, vinegar, scimeter, calendar, colander. *Perfect rhyme, the plural
verb are. Allowable rhymes, bare, prepare, &c., pair, repair, wear, tear,
war, &c., and words ending in er or or, having the accent on the last syllable,
or last but two.*

ARB.

Barb, garb, &c.

ARCE.

Farce, parse, Mars, &c. *Allowable rhyme, scarce.*

ARCH.

Arch, march, parch, starch, countermarch, &c.

ARD.

Bard, card, guard, hard, lard, nard, shard, yard, bombard, discard, re-
gard, interlard, retard, disregard, &c., and the preterits and participles of
verbs in ar, as barred, scarred, &c. *Allowable rhymes, cord, reward, &c*

ARD.

Ward, award, reward, &c. *Allowable rhymes, hard, card, see the last
article, hoard, lord, bird, curd, and the preterits and participles of the verbs
in ar, or, and ur, as barred, abhorred, incurred, &c.*

ARE.

Bare, care, dare, fare, hare, mare, pare, tare, rare, ware, flare, glare, scare,
share, snare, spare, square, stare, sware, prepare, aware, beware, compare,
declare, ensnare. *Perfect rhymes, air, fair, hair, lair, pair, chair, stair, affair
debonnair, despair, impair, repair, &c., bear, pear, swear, tear, wear, for
bear, forswear, &c., there, were, where, ere, e'er, ne'er, elsewhere, whate'er,
nowe'er, howsoe'er, whene'er, where'er, &c., heir, coheir, their. Allowable
rhymes, bar, car, &c., err, prefer, and here, hear, &c., regular, singular
war, &c.*

ARES.

Unawares. *Rhymes, theirs, and the plurals of nouns and third persons
singular of verbs in are, air, eir, ear, as care, he cares, pair, he pairs, heirs
bear, he bears, &c. The allowable rhymes are the plurals of nouns and th-
third persons singular of verbs which are allowed to rhyme with the termina-
tion ars, as bars, cars, errs, prefers, &c.*

ARF.

Scarf. *Allowable rhymes, dwarf, wharf.*

ARGE.

Barge, charge, large, targe, discharge, o'ercharge, surcharge, enlarge
Allowable rhymes, verge, emerge, gorge, forge, urge, &c.

ARK.

Bark, cark, clark, dark, lark, mark, park, shark, spark, stark, embark
remark, &c. *Allowable rhymes, cork, fork, &c.*

ARL.

Snarl, marl, parl. *Allowable rhymes, curl, furl, &c.*

ARM.

Arm, barn, charm, farm, harm, alarm, disarm. *Allowable rhymes warn
swarm, storm, &c.*

ARN.

Barn, yarn, &c. *Allowable rhymes, warn, forewarn, &c., horn, morn, &c*

ARN.

Warn, forwarn. *Perfect rhymes, horr morn, &c. Allowable rhymes
barn, yarn, &c.*

ARP.

Carp, harp, sharp, counterscarp, &c. *Allowable rhyme, warp*

ARSH.

Harsh, marsh, &c.

ART.

Art, cart, dart, fart, mart, part, smart, tart, start, apart, depart, impart
dispart, counterpart. *Perfect rhymes, heart, &c. Allowable rhymes, wart
thwart, &c., hurt, &c., dirt, flirt, &c., pert, &c.*

ART (sounded ORT).

Wart, thwart, &c. *Perfect rhymes, short, retort, &c. Allowable rhymes
art, sport, court, &c.*

ARTH, see EARTH.

ARVE.

Carve, starve, &c. *Allowable rhymes, nerve, deserve, &c.*

AS.

Was. *Allowable rhymes, has as.*

ASS.

Ass, brass, class, grass, lass, mass, pass, alas, amass, cuirass, repass, sur-
pass, morass, &c. *Allowable rhymes, base, face, deface, &c., loss, toss, &c*

ASE, see ACE.

ASH.

Ash, cash, dash, clash, crash, flash, gash, gnash, hash, lash, plash, rash,
thrash, slash, trash, abash, &c. *Allowable rhymes, wash, quash, &c., leash
&c.*

ASH.

Wash, quash, &c. *Allowable rhymes, cash, dash, &c.*

ASK.

Ask, task, bask, cask, flask, mask.

ASP.

Asp, clasp, gasp, grasp, hasp. *Allowable rhymes, wasp, &c.*

AST.

Cast, last, blast, mast, past, vast, fast, aghast, avast, forecast, overcast,
outcast, repast. *Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ass,
as classed, amassed, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of
verbs in ace, as placed, &c. Nouns and verbs in aste, as taste, waste, &c.*

ASTE.

Baste, chaste, haste, paste, taste, waste, distaste. *Perfect rhymes, waist,
and the preterits and participles of verbs in ace, as faced, placed, &c. Allow-
able rhymes, cast, fast, &c., best, nest, &c., and the preterits and participles
of verbs in ess, as messed, dressed, &c.*

AT.

At, bat, cat, hat, fat, mat, pat, rat, sat, tat, vat, brat, chat, flat, plat, sprat,
that, gnat. *Allowable rhymes, bate, hate, &c.*

ATCH.

Catch, match, hatch, latch, patch, scratch, smatch, snatch, despatch.

ATE.

Bate, date, fate, gate, grate, hate, tate, mate, pate, plate, prate, rate, sate,
state, scate, slate, abate, belate, collate, create, debate, elate, dilate, estate,
ingrate, innate, rebate, relate, sedate, translate, abdicate, abominate, abro-
gate, accelerate, accommodate, accumulate, accurate, adequate, affection-
ate, advocate, adulterate, aggravate, agitate, alienate, animate, annihilate,
antedate, anticipate, antiquate, arbitrate, arrogate, articulate, assassinate,
calculate, capitulate, captivate, celebrate, circulate, coagulate, commemo-
rate, commiserate, communicate, compassionate, confederate, congratulate,
congregate, consecrate, contaminate, corroborate, cultivate, canditate, coop

erate, celebrate, considerate, consulate, capacitate, debilitate, dedicate, de-
generate, delegate, deliberate, denominate, depopulate, dislocate, deprecate,
discriminate, derogate, dissipate, delicate, disconsolate, desperate, deprecate,
educate, effeminate, elevate, emulate, estimate, elaborate, equivocate, erad-
icate, evaporate, exaggerate, exasperate, expostulate, exterminate, extricate,
facilitate, fortunate, generate, gratulate, hesitate, illiterate, illuminate, irritate,
imitate, immoderate, impetrate, importunate, imprecate, inanimate, inno-
vate, instigate, intemperate, intimate, intimidate, intoxicate, intricate, in-
ralidate, inveterate, inviolate, legitimate, magistrate, meditate, mitigate,
moderate, necessitate, nominate, obstinate, participate, passionate, penetrate,
perpetrate, personate, potentate, precipitate, predestinate, predominate,
premeditate, prevaricate, procrastinate, profligate, prognosticate, propagate,
recriminate, regenerate, regulate, reiterate, reprobate, reverberate, rumin-
ate, separate, sophisticate, stipulate, subjugate, subordinate, suffocate, ter-
minate, tolerate, temperate, vindicate, violate, unfortunate. *Perfect rhymes,*
bait, plait, strait, wait, await, great. *Nearly perfect rhymes,* eight, weight,
height, straight. *Allowable rhymes,* beat, heat, &c., bat, cat, &c., bet, wet, &c.

ATH.

Bath, path, &c. *Allowable rhymes,* hath, faith, &c.

ATHE.

Bathe, swathe, lathe, rathe.

AUB, see OB.

AUCE, see AUSE.

AUCH, see OACH.

AUD.

Fraud, laud, applaud, defraud. *Perfect rhymes,* broad, abroad, bawd; *and*
the preterits and participles of verbs in aw, as gnawed, sawed, &c. Allowable
rhymes, odd, nod, &c., ode, bode, &c.; *also the word load.*

AVE.

Cave, brave, gave, grave, crave, lave, nave, knave, pave, rave, save, shave,
slave, stave, wave, behave, deprave, engrave, outbrave, forgave, misgave
architrave. *Allowable rhyme, the auxiliary verb have.*

AUGH, see AFF.

AUGHT, see OUGHT.

AULT, see ALT.

AUNCH.

Launch, paunch, haunch, staunch, &c.

AUNCE, see ONSE.

AUNT.

Aunt, daunt, gaunt, haunt, jaunt, taunt, vaunt, avaunt. *Perfect rhymes*
slant, aslant. *Allowable rhymes,* want, &c., pant, cant, &c.

AUSE.

Cause, pause, clause, applause, because. *Perfect rhymes, the plurals of*
nouns, and third persons singular of verbs in aw, as laws, he draws, &c.
Allowable rhyme, was.

AUST, see OST,

AW.

Craw, daw, law, chaw, claw, draw, flaw, gnaw, jaw, law, maw, paw, raw,
saw, straw, thaw, withdraw, foresaw.

AWD, see AUD.

AWK, see ALK.

AWL.

Bawl, brawl, drawl, crawl, scrawl, sprawl, squall. *Perfect rhymes,* ball,
call, fall, gall, small, hall, pall, tall, wall, stall, install, forestall, thrall, intrall

AWN.

Dawn, brawn, fawn, pawn, spawn, drawn, yawn, lawn, withdrawn.

AX.

Ax, tax, wax, relax, flax. *Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns, and third*
persons singular of verbs in ack, as backs, sacks, &c., he lacks, he packs, &c.
Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular of verbs in
ake, as cakes, lakes, &c., he makes, he takes, &c.

AY.

Bray, clay, day, dray, tray, flay, fray, gay, hay, jay, lay, may, nay, pay,
play, ray, say, way, pray, spray, slay, spay, stay, stray, sway, affray, allay,
array, astray, away, belay, bewray, betray, decay, defray, delay, disarray,
display, dismay, essay, forelay, gainsay, inlay, relay, repay, roundelay,
virelay. *Perfect rhymes,* neigh, weigh, inveigh, &c., prey, they, convey,
obey, purvey, survey, disobey, grey. *Allowable rhymes,* tea, sea, fee, see,
glee, &c.

AZE.

Craze, daze, blaze, gaze, glaze, maze, raze, amaze, graze. *Perfect rhymes,*
raise, praise, dispraise, &c., phrase, paraphrase, &c., *and the nouns plural,*
and third persons singular of the present tense of verbs in ay, eigh, and ey;
as days, he inveighs, he obeys, &c. Allowable rhymes, ease, tease, seize, &c
and keys, the plural of key; also the auxiliaries has and was.

E and EA, see EE.

EACE, see EASE.

EACH.

Beach, breach, bleach, each, peach, preach, teach, impeach. *Nearly perfect*
rhymes, beech, leech, speech, beseech. *Allowable rhymes,* fetch, wretch, &c.

EAD, see EDE and EED.

EAF, see IEF.

EAGUE.

League, teague, &c. *Perfect rhymes,* intrigue, fatigue, &c. *Allowable*
rhymes, Hague, vague, &c., leg, beg, &c., bag, rag, &c.

EAK, see AKE.

Beak, speak, bleak, creak, freak, leak, peak, sneak, squeak, streak, weak,
tweak, wreak, bespeak. *Nearly perfect rhymes,* cheek, leek, creek, meek,
reek, seek, sleek, pique, week, shriek. *Allowable rhymes,* beck, speck, &c.,
lake, take, thick, lick, &c.

EAL.

Deal, heal, reveal, meal, peal, seal, steal, teal, veal, weal, squeal,
repeal, conceal, congeal, anneal, appeal. *Nearly perfect rhymes,* eel, heel,
feel, keel, kneel, peel, reel, steel, wheel. *Allowable rhymes,* bell, tell, &c.,
dale, tale, &c., bill, fill, &c., ail, fail, &c.

EALM, see ELM.

EALTH.

Health, wealth, stealth, commonwealth, &c.

EAM.

Bream, cream, gleam, seam, scream, steam, stream, team, beam, dream.
Perfect rhymes, phlegm, scheme, theme, blaspheme, extreme, supreme.
Nearly perfect rhymes, deem, team, beseem, misdeem, esteem, disesteem,
redeem, seem, &c. *Allowable rhymes,* dame, lame, &c., limb, him, &c.,
them, hem, &c., lamb, dam, &c. See AME.

EAN.

Bean, clean, dean, glean, lean, mean, wean, yeon, demcan, unclean.
Perfect rhymes, convene, demesne, intervene, mien. *Nearly perfect rhymes,*
machine, keen, screen, seen, green, spleen, between, careen, foreseen, serene,

obscene, terrene, &c., queen, spleen, &c. *Allowable rhymes, bane, man, &c. ban, man, &c., bin, thin, begin, &c.*

EANS, see ENSE.

EANT, see ENT.

EAP, see EEP and EP.

EAR, see EER.

EARD.

Heard, herd, sherd, &c. *Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in er, as erred, preferred, &c. Allowable rhyme, beard, the preterit, and participles of verbs in ere, ear, and ar, as revered, feared, barred.*

EARCH.

Search, perch, research. *Allowable rhymes, church, smirch, lurch, parch march, &c.*

EARL.

Earl, pearl. *Perfect rhyme, girl, &c. Allowable rhymes, snarl, marl, churl furl, &c.*

EARN, see ERN.

EARSE, see ERSE.

EART, see ART.

EARTH.

Earth, dearth. *Perfect rhymes, birth, mirth, &c. Allowable rhymes nearth, &c.*

EASE, sounded EACE.

Cease, lease, release, grease, de cease, decrease, increase, release, surcease. *Perfect rhyme, peace. Nearly perfect rhymes, piece, niece, fleece, geese frontispiece, apiece, &c. Allowable rhymes, less, mess, &c., lace, mace, &c. miss, hiss, &c., nice, vice, &c.*

EASH, see ESH.

EAST.

East, feast, least, beast. *Perfect rhymes, and preterits and participles of verbs in ease, as ceased, increased, &c. Nearly perfect rhyme, priest. Allowable rhymes, haste, taste, &c., best, chest, &c., fist, list, &c., and the preterits and participles of verbs in esse and iss, as dressed, hissed, &c.*

EAT.

Bleat, eat, feat, heat, meat, neat, seat, treat, wheat, beat, cheat, defeat. *estreat, escheat, entreat, retreat. Perfect rhymes, obsolete, replete, concrete, complete. Nearly perfect rhymes, feet, fleet, gleet, greet, meet, sheet, sleet, street, sweet, discreet. Allowable rhymes, bate, grate, hate, &c., get, met, &c. bit, hit, &c. See ATE.*

EATH.

Breath, death, &c. *Allowable rhymes, heath, sheath, teeth.*

EATHE.

Breathe, sheathe, &c. *Perfect rhymes, wreath, inwreath, bequeath, beneath, underneath, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, seethe, &c.*

EAVE.

Cleave, heave, interweave, leave, weave, bereave, inweave. *Perfect rhymes, receive, conceive, deceive, perceive. Nearly perfect rhymes, eve, grieve, thieve, aggrieve, achieve, believe, disbelieve, relieve, reprieve, retrieve. Allowable rhymes, give, live, &c., lave, cave, &c., and have.*

EBB.

Ebb, web, &c. *Allowable rhymes, babe, astrolabe, &c., glebe, &c.*

ECK.

Back, neck, check, deck, speck, wreck. *Allowable rhymes, break, take &c., beak, sneak &c.*

ECT.

Sect, abject, affect, correct, incorrect, collect, deject, detect, direct, dis respect, disaffect, dissect, effect, elect, eject, erect, expect, indirect, infect, inspect, neglect, object, project, protect, recollect, reflect, reject, respect, select, subject, suspect, architect, circumspect, dialect, intellect. *Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in eck, as decked, checked, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ake, and eak, as baked, leaked.*

ED.

Bed, bled, fed, fled, bred, led, red, shred, shed, sped, wed, abed, inbred misled. *Perfect rhymes, said, bread, dread, dead, head, lead, read, spread, thread, tread, behead, o'erspread. Allowable rhymes, bead, mead, &c., blade, ade, &c., maid, paid, &c., and the preterits and participles of verbs in ay, ey, and eigh, as bayed, obeyed, veighed, &c.*

EDE, see EED.

EDGE.

Edge, wedge, fledge, hedge, ledge, pledge, sedge, allege. *Allowable rhymes age, page, &c., siege, oblige, &c., privilege, sacrilege, sortilege.*

EE.

Bee, free, glee, knee, see, three, thee, tree, agree, decree, degree, disagree, foresee, o'ersee, pedigree, he, me, we, she, be, jubilee, lee. *Nearly perfect rhymes, sea, plea, flea, tea, key. Allowable rhymes, all words of one syllable ending in y, ye, or ie, or polysyllables of these terminations having the accent on the ultimate or antepenultimate syllable.*

EECE, see EASE.

EECH, see EACH.

EED.

Creed, deed, indeed, bleed, breed, feed, heed, meed, need, reed, speed, steed, weed, proceed, succeed, exceed. *Perfect rhymes, knead, read intercede, precede, recede, concede, impede, supersede, &c., bead, lead mead, plead, &c. Allowable rhymes, bed, dead, &c., bid, hid, &c., made blade, &c.*

EEF, see IEF.

EEK, see EAK.

EEL, see EAL.

EEM, see EAM.

EEN, see EAN.

EEP.

Creep, deep, sleep, keep, peep, sheep, steep, sweep, weep, asleep. *Nearly perfect rhymes, cheap, heap, neap, &c. Allowable rhymes, ape, rape, &c. step, nep, &c., hip, lip, &c.*

EER.

Beer, deer, flier, geer, jeer, peer, meer, leer, sheer, steer, sneer, cheer, voer, picker, domineer, cannoneer, compeer, engineer, mutineer, pioneer, privateer, charioteer, chanticleer, career, mountaineer. *Perfect rhymes, here, sphere, adhere, cohere, interfere, persevere, revere, austere, severe, sincere, hemisphere, &c., ear, clear, dear, fear, hear, near, sear, snear spear, tear, rear, year, appear, besmear, disappear, endear, auctioneer. Allowable rhymes, bare, dare, &c., prefer, deter, character, &c.*

EESE, see EEZE.

EET, see EAT.

EETH, see EATH.

E EVE, see EAVE.

EEZE.

Breeze, freeze, wheeze, sneeze, squeeze, and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ee, as bees, he sees. *Perfect rhymes*, cheese, these, &c. *Nearly perfect rhymes*, ease, appease, dis-ease, displease, tease, seize, &c., and the plurals of nouns in ea, as teas, pleas, &c., and the polysyllables ending in es, having the accent on the antepenultimate, as images, monarchies, &c.

EFT.

Cleft, left, theft, west, bereft, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, lift, sift, &c., and the third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in afe, aff, augh, and iff, as chafed, quaffed, laughed, whiffed, &c.

EG.

Egg, leg, beg, peg. *Allowable rhymes*, vague, plague, &c., league, teague, &c.

EIGH, see AY.

EIGHT, see ATE.

EIGN, see AIN.

EIL, see AIL.

EIN, see AIN.

EINT, see AINT.

EIR, see ARE.

EIT, see EAT.

EIVE, see EAVE.

EIZE, see EEZE.

ELL.

Ell, dwell, fell, hell, knell, quell, sell, bell, cell, dispel, foretell, excel, compel, befell, yell, well, tell, swell, spell, smell, shell, parallel, sentinel, infidel, citadel, refel, repel, rebel, impel, expel. *Allowable rhymes*, bale, sale, &c., heal, peal, &c., eel, steel, &c.

ELD.

Held, geld, withheld, upheld, beheld, &c. *Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ell, as swelled, felled, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ale, ail, &c., heal, seal, &c., as em-paled, wailed, &c., healed, sealed, &c.*

ELF.

Elf, pelf, self, shelf, himself, &c.

ELK.

Elk, wheelk, &c.

ELM.

Elm, helm, realm, whelm, overwhelm, &c. *Allowable rhymes palm, film, &c.*

ELP.

Help, whelp, yelp, &c.

ELT.

Belt, gelt, melt, felt, welt, smelt, pelt, dwelt. *Perfect rhyme, deaft.*

ELVE.

Delve, helve, twelve, &c.

ELVES.

Elves, themselves, &c. *Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in elf and elve, as twelves, delves, shelves, &c.*

EM.

Gem, hem, stem, them, diadem, stratagem, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, condemn, contemn, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, lame, tame, &c., team, seam, them, phlegm, &c.

EME, see EAM.

EMN.

Condemn, contemn, &c. *Perfect rhymes*, gem, hem, &c. *Allowable rhymes*, lame, tame, &c., team, seam, &c.

EMPT.

Tempt, exempt, attempt, contempt.

EN.

Den, hen, fen, ken, men, pen, ten, then, when, wren, denizen. *Allowable rhymes*, bane, fane, &c., mean, bean, &c.

ENCE.

Fence, hence, pence, thence, whence, defence, expense, offence, pretence, commence, abstinence, circumference, conference, confidence, consequence, continence, benevolence, concupiscence, difference, diffidence, diligence, eloquence, eminence, evidence, excellence, impenitence, impertinence, impotence, impudence, improvidence, incontinence, indifference, indigence, indolence, inference, intelligence, innocence, magnificence, munificence, negligence, omnipotence, penitence, preference, providence, recompense, reference, residence, reverence, vehemence, violence. *Perfect rhymes*, sense, dense, cense, condense, immense, intense, propense, dispense, suspense, prepense, incense, frankincense.

ENCH.

Bench, drench, retrench, quench, clench, stench, tench, trench, wench, wrench, intrench.

END.

Bend, mend, blend, end, fend, lend, rend, send, spend, tend, vend, amend, attend, ascend, commend, contend, defend, depend, descend, distend, expend, extend, forefend, impend, misspend, obtend, offend, portend, pretend, protend, suspend, transcend, unbend, apprehend, comprehend, condescend, discommend, recommend, reprehend, dividend, reverend. *Perfect rhymes*, friend, befriend, and the preterits and participles of verbs in en, as penned, kenned, &c. *Allowable rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in ean, as gleaned, yeaned, &c.*

ENDS.

Amends. *Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in end, as ends, friends, he mends, &c.*

ENE, see EAN.

ENGE.

Avenge, revenge, &c.

ENGTH.

Length, strength, &c.

ENSE, sounded ENZE.

Cleanse. *Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in en, as hens, fens, he pens, he kens, &c.*

ENT.

Bent, lent, rent, pent, scent, sent, shent, spent, tent, vent, went, absent, meant, ascent, assent, attent, augment, cement, content, consent, descent, dissent, event, extent, foment, frequent, indent, intent, invent, lament, mis-spent, o'erspent, present, prevent, relent, repent, resent, ostent, ferment, outwent, underwent, discontent, unbent, circumvent, represent, abstinent, accident, accomplishment, admonishment, acknowledgment, aliment, arbitrement, argument, banishment, battlement, blandishment, astonishment, armipotent, bellipotent, benevolent, chastisement, competent, compliment, complement, confident, continent, corpulent, detriment, different, diffident, diligent, disparagement, document, element, eloquent, eminent, equivalent, establishment, evident, excellent, excrement, exigent, experiment, firmament, fraudulent, government, embellishment, imminent, impenitent, im-