

## ‘Th’ sounds

Th has two pronunciations in English, voiced /ð/ and unvoiced /θ/. In both cases, the tongue tip touches gently behind the top front teeth. The air comes out in between the tongue tip and the top teeth. For unvoiced *th*, like in the words *think* and *thank* there is no voice. For voiced *th* like in the words *that* and *this*, there is vibration from the voice box.



Listen and repeat the words, and notice the pronunciation of *th*:

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Voiced /ð/	Unvoiced /θ/
the	theater
This	think
that	three

Now, pronounce the words below. Decide which *th* sounds are voiced /ð/ and which are unvoiced /θ/:

- thousand
- those
- Thursday
- they
- thank
- thief
- thirsty