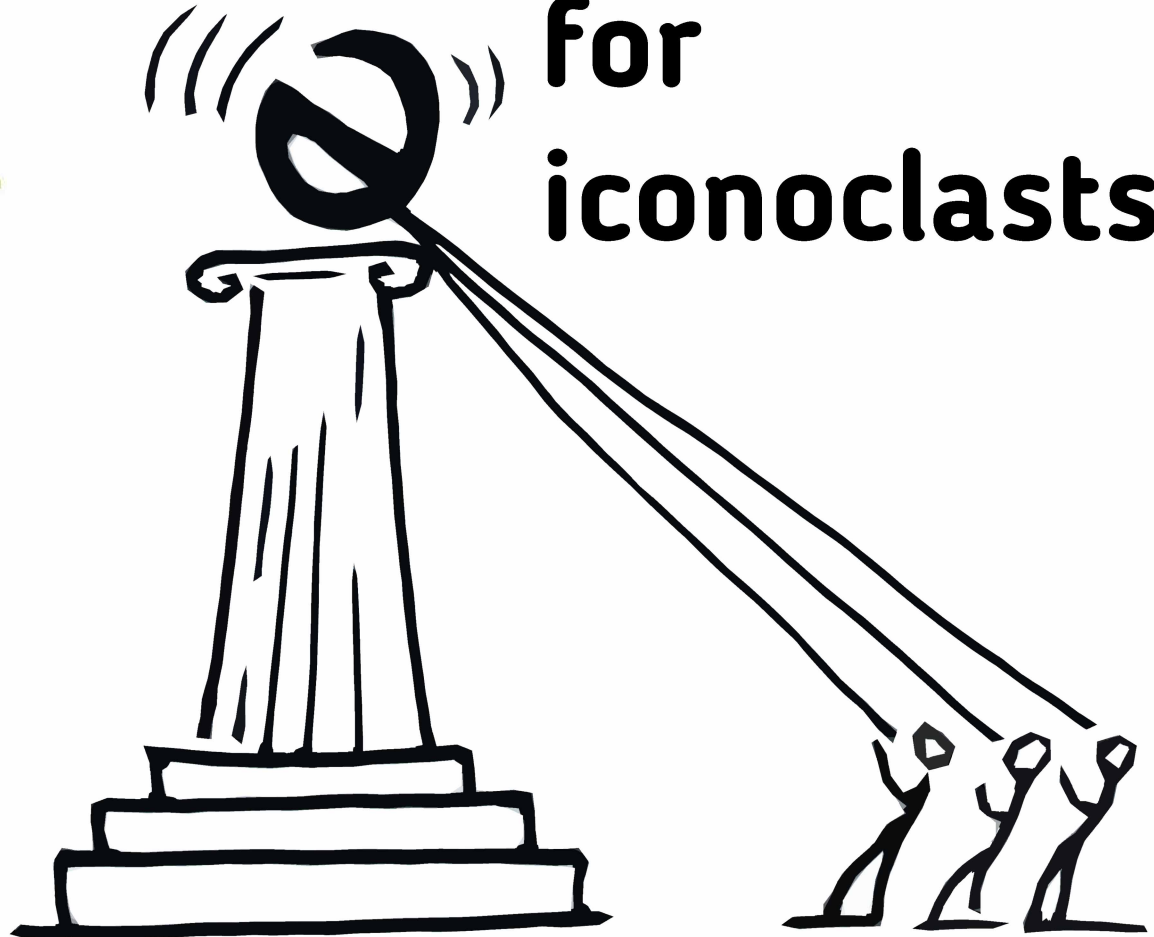




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ENGLISH PHONETICS

MYSTERIES OF THE SCHWA

/ə/



What is schwa?

/ə/

banana: /bə 'næ nə/

The mysterious unstressed vowel
sound explained!

The Schwa:
Every English Vowel's
Favorite Disguise



This is Schwa.

Schwa is not stressed.

Schwa is cool.

Be like Schwa.





I WANT ə TO BE A
SCHWA
IT'S NEVER STRESSED



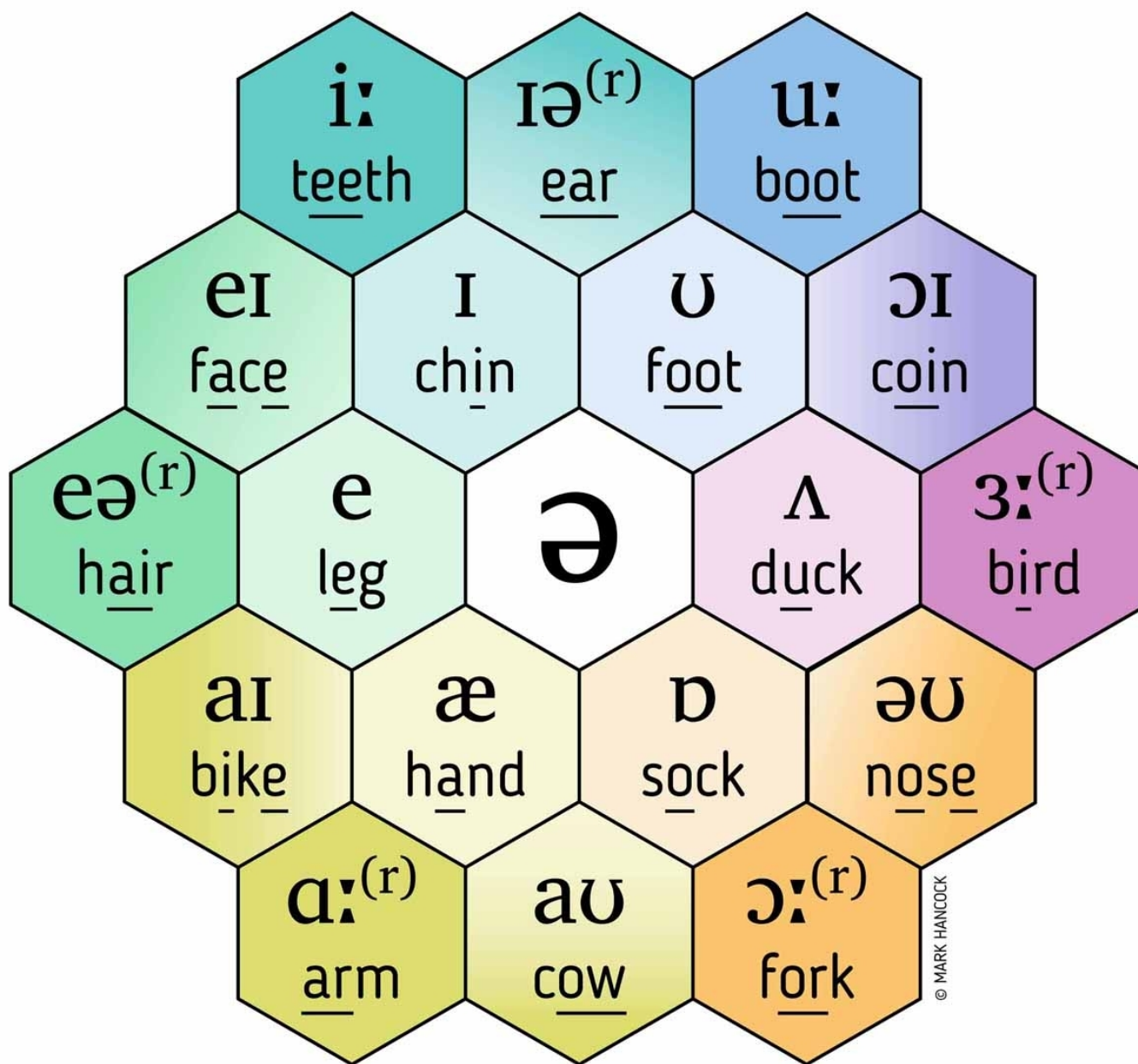
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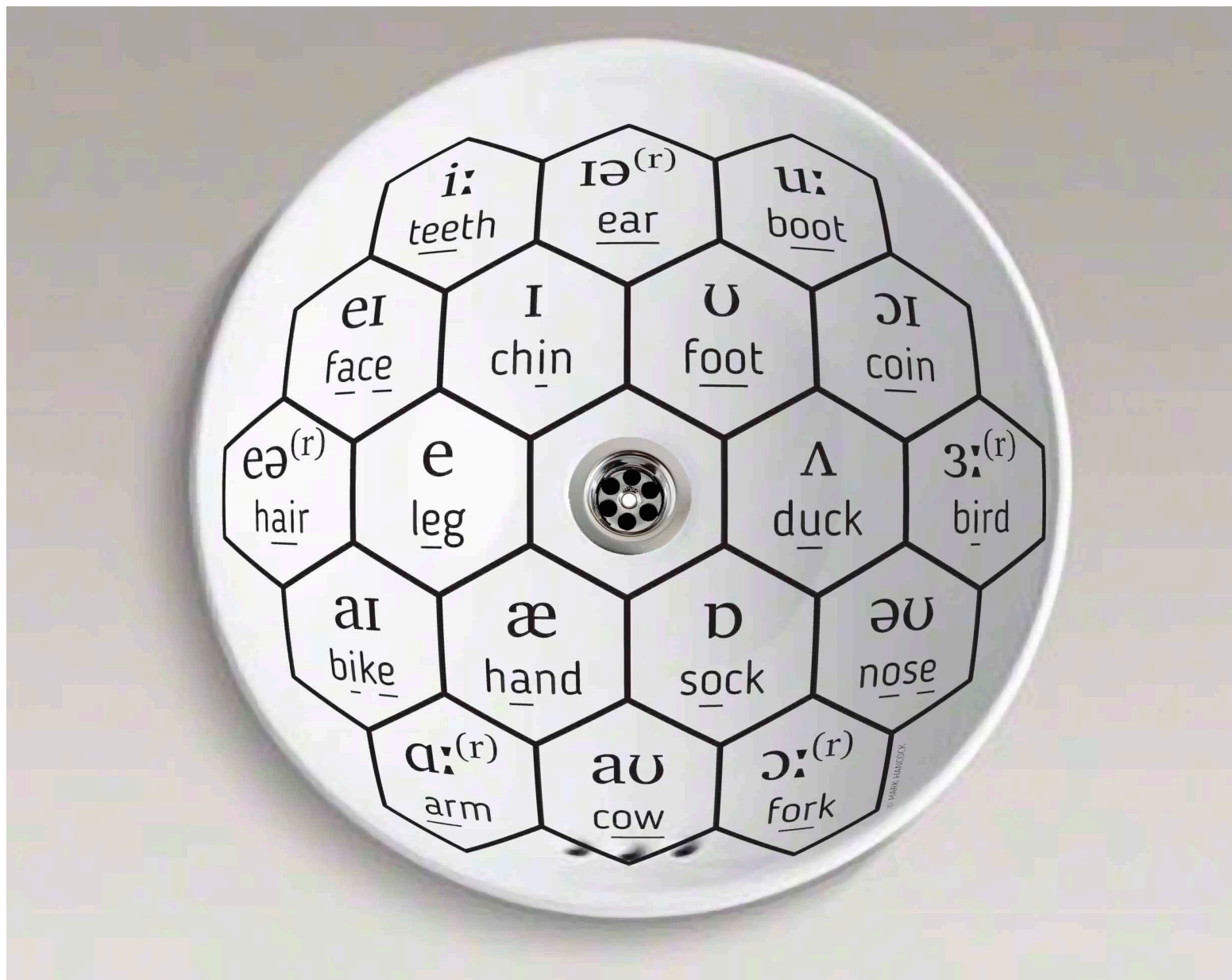
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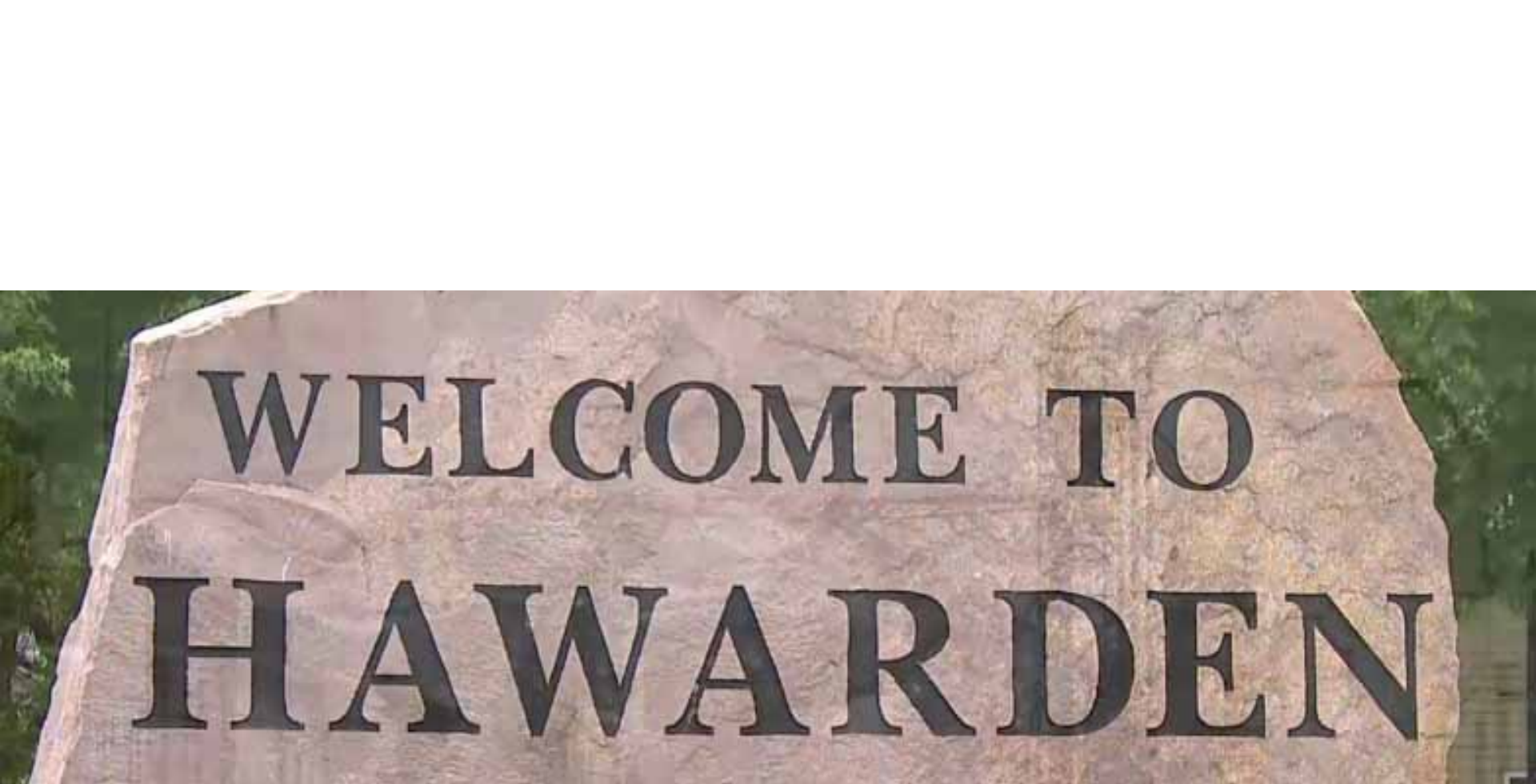
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be with you!









WELCOME TO
HAWARDEN

easy to
articulate

**Speaker-
oriented**

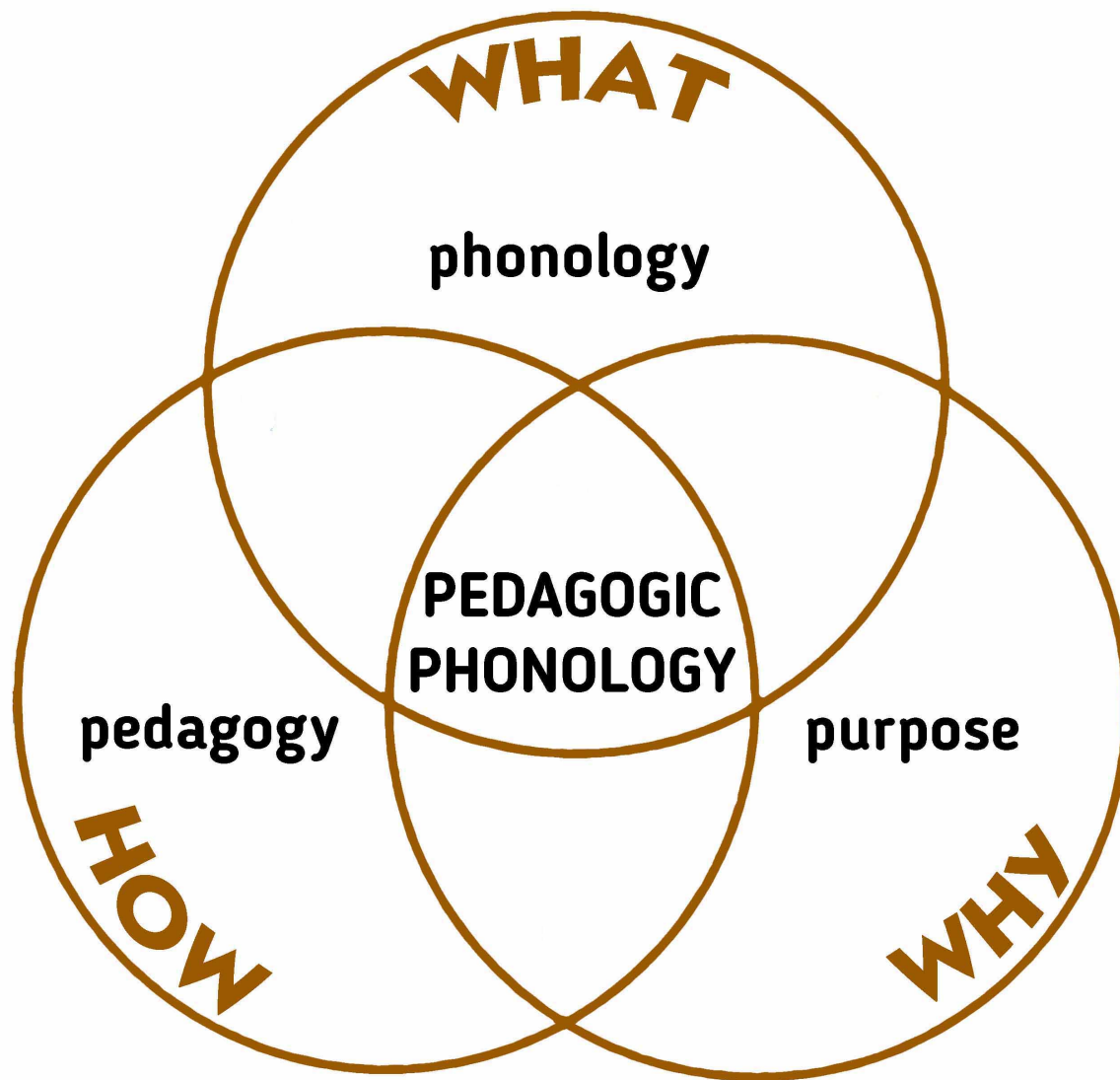
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**Listener-
oriented**

easy to
understand
hyper-
articulated
explicit
full-forms

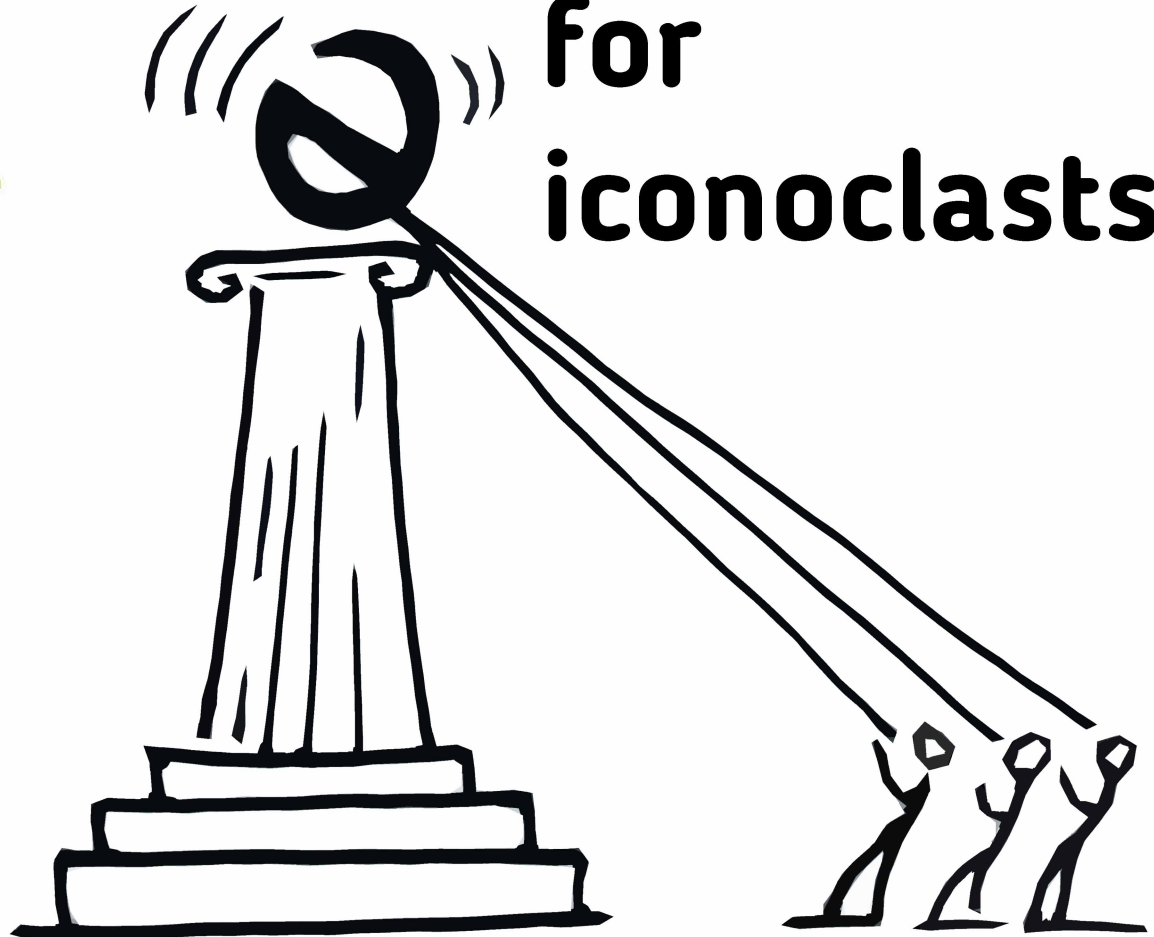






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