Notes/tips
p. 30: If you’re not a native speaker of English, get one to pronounce the pairs of words whose final consonants differ in voicing and see if you can hear a length difference.

p. 36: “apply in the lexicon” means apply before the UR is sent off to the ‘phonological component’ box of p. 7 (this means that the drawing on p. 7 needs another box).

p. 37 See Hayes & Stivers ms. (on Bruce Hayes’ web page) for a plausible phonetic explanation of postnasal voicing.

Questions
1. Think about the difference discussed on p. 2 between accidental and inherent properties of language. Other than consulting our intuitions as linguists, how can we tell which category a given generalization belongs in? Jot down any ideas you have—I want to have a discussion on this in class on Thursday.

2. Visit hctv.humnet.ucla.edu/departments/linguistics/VowelsandConsonants/course/chapter1/chapter1.html and listen to some of the sounds. Compare the IPA symbols to those used by K&K (e.g., charts on p. 12, p. 17) and list some differences you can find (I’ve gotten you started). The symbols used by K&K are often referred to as “American”. I’m having you do this now to minimize confusion as you read K&K.

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3. What are some types of evidence K&K propose, towards the beginning of ch. 2, in favor of a significant distinction between idiosyncratic and systematic properties of a pronunciation (not the individual examples, but the types of evidence)?