

When it's English that we speak

Why is *break* not rhymed with *weak*?

(Because they rhyme with *steak* and *seek*.)

Will you tell me why it's true

That *sew* does not rhyme with *few*?

(Because they rhyme with *oh* and *you*.)

We say *cow*, and that rhymes with *how*.

But *low* doesn't rhyme with *now*,

(Because they rhyme with *owe* and *bough*.<sup>1</sup>)