

# Re: Portuguese lingual r

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António Marques wrote:

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On Jun 6, 8:28 pm, "Ekkehard Dengler"  
<ED...@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Incidentally, have you noticed that people  
from the southern half  
(or two thirds) of the country pronounce the  
<ou> diphthong /o/?

No luck there. I spend quite a lot of time among them. In  
fact, my  
dialect is no different in that regard. Still waiting for the  
spelling mistakes.

Try googling for "coro cabeludo" then.

I don't know about your google, but the one I consulted yields mostly  
brazilian results (the very first of which refers to a choir, and no,  
puns are not conclusive of mergers), and some are '...choir,  
hairy...'. All of which summed are very few compared to the correct  
query (though google is known to give very fallible estimates of  
result counts). 'Touro' queries are unfortunately complicated by  
spanish contamination. I'll admit there are a few more vassoras than  
I expected.

<site:pt "coro cabeludo"> produces 45 results, almost all of which are  
relevant.

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An opposition either exists or it doesn't

If you wish to be taken seriously, at least try to read. 'There are more oppositions possible than simple [ow]/[o].'

Yes, but the thing is that there is none at all. I'm sorry I didn't make myself clear.

and the simple fact is that there is no difference at all. I'm sorry to have brought this up now. I got my hopes up when I read that you'd been listening more attentively to speakers.

Heaven forbid questioning assumptions.

I'm not talking about assumptions, but about observations. And I can't help feeling that you're not as good an observer as you think you are.

Regards,  
Ekkehard

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