

International Phonetic Alphabet

The table below shows each symbol of the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) and provides examples of the associated grapheme(s).

It is not a comprehensive alphabetic code chart; it is intended simply as guidance in understanding the IPA symbols used here.

The pronunciations in the table are, by convention, based on Received Pronunciation and could be significantly different in other accents.

Consonants			
/b/	bad	/ŋ/	sing
/d/	dog	/θ/	both
/ð/	this	/p/	pet
/dʒ/	jug gem	/r/	red
/f/	if puff photo	/s/	sit miss cell
/g/	gum	/ʃ/	she chef
/h/	how	/t/	tea
/j/	yes	/tʃ/	chin
/k/	cat check key school	/v/	vet
/l/	leg hill	/w/	wet when
/m/	man	/z/	zip hens buzz
/n/	bin	/ʒ/	pleasure
Vowels			
/ɑː/	father arm	/ɪə/	beer
/ɒ/	hot	/iː/	she bead see scheme chief
/æ/	cat	/ɔː/	launch raw born
/aɪ/	mind fine pie high	/ɔɪ/	coin boy
/aʊ/	out cow	/ʊ/	book
/ɛ/	hen head	/ʊə/	tour
/eɪ/	say came bait	/uː/	room you blue brute
/ɛə/	hair	/ʌ/	cup
/əʊ/	boat cone blow cold	/ɜː/	fern turn girl
/ɪ/	hit	/ə/	farmer