

International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) Symbols

American English

Vowels

ɑ	on, mom
æ	apple, bag
aɪ	bike, sky, pie, high
aʊ	mouth, cow
ɛ	egg, ten, bread
eɪ	game, rain, play
ɪ	in, big
i	fifty, baby
iː	eat, sleep
oʊ	home, cold, road, window
ɔː	walk, yawn, August
ɔɪ	coin, boy
ʊ	book, foot, pull, put
uː	flute, blue, fruit, food
ʌ	up, run
ə	balloon, camel, pencil, protect, minus
ɜː	shirt, Earth, nurse, work

Consonants

b	book, tub
d	desk, sad
f	family, leaf, laugh, phone
g	girl, big
h	head, hand
j	yawn, yogurt
k	king, cat, cake, rock, school
l	lion, pencil
m	moon, arm, climb
n	nest, lion
p	pen, map
r	run, room
s	sun, nuts, eraser, face
t	ten, goat
v	van, love
w	water, whale
z	zebra, quiz, beans, cookies
ŋ	wing, running
ʒ	measure
dʒ	gym, huge, jet
ʃ	shoes, fish
tʃ	cheese, lunch
θ	three, mouth
ð	this, mother

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British English

Vowels and Diphthongs

ɒ	on, hot
æ	apple, bag
ɑ:	arm, large, car
aɪ	bike, sky, pie, high
aʊ	mouth, cow
e	egg, ten, bread
eə	chair, pear
eɪ	game, rain, play
ɪ	in, big
i	fifty, baby
i:	eat, sleep
ɪə:	ear, deer
əʊ	home, cold, road, window
ɔ:	walk, yawn, August
ɔɪ	coin, boy
ʊ	book, foot, pull, put
u:	flute, blue, fruit, food
ʌ	up, run
ə	balloon, camel, pencil, protect, minus
ɜ:	shirt, Earth, nurse, work

Consonants

b	book, cub
d	desk, sad
f	family, leaf, laugh, phone
g	girl, big
h	head, hand
j	yawn, yoghurt
k	king, cat, cake, rock, school
l	lion, pencil
m	moon, arm, climb
n	nest, lion
p	pen, map
r	run, room
s	sun, nuts, desk, face
t	ten, goat
v	van, love
w	water, whale
z	zebra, quiz, beans, noodles
ŋ	wing, running
ʒ	measure
dʒ	gym, huge, jet
ʃ	shoes, fish
tʃ	cheese, lunch
θ	three, mouth
ð	this, mother