

Table 1: English Consonants

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Letter & Phonetic Symbol	Voiced <i>or</i> Hard	Voiceless <i>or</i> Soft	Variations
B - /b/	<u>b</u> aby, cri <u>b</u> , tu <u>b</u> e, cabb <u>a</u> ge, cup <u>b</u> oard	-	-
C - /k/ or /s/	-	<u>c</u> ake, <u>c</u> ome, acc <u>o</u> unt, bisc <u>u</u> it, lock, <u>ch</u> aracter, <u>a</u> che	<u>c</u> ell, <u>c</u> ity, lac <u>y</u>
D - /d/, /r/, or /ʔ/	<u>d</u> ad, can <u>d</u> y, fa <u>d</u> e, o <u>dd</u> , mailed <u>d</u> , cou <u>ld</u>	-	lad <u>y</u> , Florid <u>a</u> , med <u>a</u> l, loud <u>e</u> r, sadd <u>l</u> e gard <u>e</u> n, pard <u>o</u> n, hidd <u>e</u> n
F - /f/	-	<u>f</u> ood, knif <u>e</u> , <u>ph</u> one, cuff, rou <u>gh</u> , cal <u>f</u>	-
G - /g/	<u>g</u> ame, <u>g</u> o, <u>g</u> um, <u>g</u> uest, <u>gh</u> ost, a <u>gh</u> ast, ag <u>a</u> in, egg, analog <u>ue</u>	-	-
H - /h/	<u>h</u> ouse, beh <u>in</u> d, <u>wh</u> o	-	-
J - /dʒ/ or /ʒ/	<u>j</u> ob, <u>g</u> em, ag <u>i</u> tate, exag <u>g</u> erate, carriag <u>e</u> , grad <u>u</u> ate, sold <u>i</u> er, <u>j</u> udg <u>em</u> ent, lodg <u>e</u> , ad <u>ju</u> ctive	-	mirag <u>e</u> , vis <u>i</u> on, meas <u>u</u> re
K - /k/	-	<u>k</u> araoke, stea <u>k</u> , talk	-
L - /l/, /ɫ/ or /ɔl/	<u>l</u> ike, a <u>l</u> ive, <u>ll</u> ama, yell <u>o</u> w, val <u>l</u> ey	-	mil <u>k</u> , hill, bell nav <u>a</u> l, lab <u>e</u> l, stab <u>l</u> e, <u>full</u>
M - /m/	<u>m</u> y, a <u>m</u> ount, sw <u>im</u> , dom <u>e</u> , hamm <u>er</u> , lamb, h <u>ym</u> n, parad <u>ig</u> m, sal <u>m</u> on	-	-
N - /n/ or /ŋ/	<u>n</u> o, a <u>n</u> imal, soon <u>n</u> , lan <u>e</u> , spin <u>n</u> er, hun <u>t</u> er, <u>kn</u> ife, <u>gn</u> at, re <u>ig</u> n, <u>mn</u> emonic, <u>p</u> neumonia	-	th <u>in</u> g, lon <u>g</u> , <u>in</u> k, a <u>n</u> chor, <u>un</u> cle
P - /p/	-	<u>p</u> an, op <u>e</u> ra, hop <u>p</u> , rop <u>e</u> , snapp <u>e</u> r, sheph <u>er</u> d	-
Q - /kw/ or /k/	-	<u>qu</u> ick, earth <u>qu</u> ake, <u>ch</u> oir, acqu <u>i</u> t	plaq <u>ue</u>
R - /r/ or /əv/	<u>r</u> ed, ver <u>y</u> , door <u>r</u> , befor <u>e</u> , tomor <u>r</u> ow, <u>r</u> h <u>y</u> thm, <u>w</u> rite, cor <u>p</u> s	-	sug <u>a</u> r, mann <u>e</u> r, st <u>ir</u> , honor <u>e</u> , <u>fur</u>

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S - /s/	-	<u>see</u> , <u>bus</u> , <u>less</u> on, <u>mess</u> , <u>base</u> , <u>circle</u> , <u>lace</u> , <u>scene</u> , <u>psalm</u>	-
T - /t/, /r/, or /ʔ/	-	<u>ten</u> , <u>after</u> , <u>bat</u> , <u>rate</u> , <u>two</u> , <u>walked</u> , <u>doubt</u>	beaut <u>y</u> , aut <u>o</u> , hospit <u>a</u> l, wat <u>e</u> r, lett <u>e</u> r, batt <u>l</u> e eat <u>e</u> n, kitt <u>e</u> n, cott <u>o</u> n
V - /v/	<u>voice</u> , <u>never</u> , <u>believe</u> , of	-	-
W - /w/ or /ʌ/	<u>w</u> ater, high <u>w</u> ay, <u>o</u> ne, <u>o</u> nce, <u>g</u> uava	-	<u>wh</u> en, <u>wh</u> ich
X - /gz/ or /ks/	<u>ex</u> act, <u>ex</u> it	<u>ex</u> pect, <u>fox</u> es, <u>ax</u>	-
Y - /j/	<u>y</u> es, <u>bey</u> ond, hallel <u>u</u> jah	-	<i>sometimes a vowel</i>
Z - /z/	<u>z</u> oo, <u>buzz</u> , <u>amaze</u> , <u>e</u> asy, <u>dess</u> ert, <u>nois</u> e, toys, <u>cz</u> ar, <u>xylo</u> phone	-	-

Other Consonant Digraphs

Letter & Phonetic Symbol	Voiced	Voiceless	Variations
TH - /ð/ or /θ/	<u>th</u> e, <u>oth</u> er, <u>smooth</u> , <u>bathe</u>	<u>th</u> in, <u>anyth</u> ing, <u>math</u>	-
CH - /tʃ/	-	<u>cello</u> , <u>ch</u> urch, teach <u>er</u> , nat <u>u</u> re, quest <u>ion</u> , <u>catch</u> , <u>niche</u>	-
SH - /ʃ/	-	<u>sh</u> ip, wash <u>er</u> , <u>fish</u> , <u>sure</u> , <u>nause</u> ous, pens <u>ion</u> , <u>tiss</u> ue, consci <u>ence</u> , <u>spec</u> ial, <u>oce</u> an, mach <u>ine</u> , nati <u>o</u> n	-

Consonant Blends

With "l"	<u>bl</u> ack, <u>cl</u> ean, <u>fl</u> ower, <u>gl</u> ass, <u>pl</u> ate, <u>sl</u> ed, <u>el</u> f, <u>mi</u> lk, <u>hel</u> p, <u>qu</u> ilt
With "r"	<u>br</u> ick, <u>cr</u> ib, <u>dr</u> um, <u>fr</u> og, <u>gr</u> ass, <u>pr</u> int, <u>tr</u> uck
With "s"	<u>sc</u> an, <u>sk</u> ip, <u>sm</u> all, <u>sn</u> ail, <u>sp</u> in, <u>st</u> ep, <u>sw</u> im, <u>scr</u> ub, <u>sp</u> lash, <u>sp</u> ring, <u>str</u> ap, <u>sq</u> are, <u>des</u> k, <u>gasp</u> , <u>vest</u>
With "w"	<u>dw</u> ell, <u>tw</u> in, <u>sw</u> ell
With "m" or "n"	<u>ju</u> mp, <u>ha</u> nd, <u>dr</u> ink, <u>si</u> ng
With "t"	<u>fa</u> ct, <u>gi</u> ft, <u>hu</u> nt, <u>we</u> pt, <u>te</u> xt