

*International Phonetic Alphabet Symbol Chart
with Close English Equivalent Keywords

Single Vowels

| IPA | English Equivalent Keyword |
|-----|---|
| [ɑ] | f <u>a</u> ther |
| [a] | p <u>a</u> sta |
| [æ] | cat |
| [ã] | h <u>a</u> unt nasalized / Gardside suggests [ɔ̃] |
| [ɛ] | w <u>e</u> d (open e) |
| [ẽ] | u <u>a</u> nt nasalized / Gardside suggests [æ̃] |
| [e] | d <u>a</u> y (closed e) |
| [ɜ] | l <u>e</u> arn |
| [ɪ] | it (open i) |
| [i] | s <u>e</u> e (closed i) |
| [o] | o <u>b</u> ey (closed o) |
| [œ] | like the French word <i>fl<u>e</u>ur</i> |
| [ø] | Form [e] in the mouth with rounded lips |
| [ɔ] | aw <u>f</u> ul (open o) |
| [u] | y <u>o</u> u (closed u) |
| [ʊ] | l <u>o</u> ok (open u) |
| [ʌ] | u <u>p</u> |
| [ə] | sof <u>a</u> (unstressed, neutral) |
| [ɻ] | form [ɪ] in the mouth and [u] with the lips |
| [ɹ] | form [i] in the mouth and [u] with the lips |

Diphthongs

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| [aɪ] | n <u>i</u> ght |
| [ɛɪ] | d <u>a</u> y |
| [ɔɪ] | b <u>o</u> y |
| [aʊ] | n <u>o</u> w |
| [oʊ] | n <u>o</u> |
| [ɛə] | <u>a</u> ir |
| [ɪə] | <u>e</u> ar |
| [ɔə] | <u>o</u> re |
| [ʊə] | <u>s</u> ure |

Triphthongs

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| [aɪə] | <u>h</u> ire |
| [aʊə] | <u>h</u> our |

Consonants

These consonants have symbols that are identical with their letters used in spelling:

b, d, f, g, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s, t, v, w, z

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| [ŋ] | s <u>ing</u> | [ʃ] | <u>sh</u> e |
| [θ] | <u>th</u> in | [tʃ] | <u>ch</u> oose |
| [ð] | <u>th</u> ine | [ʒ] | vis <u>ion</u> |
| [hw] | <u>wh</u> en | [dʒ] | <u>Ge</u> orge |
| [j] | y <u>ou</u> | [ʔ] | glottal touch |
| x | as in B <u>ach</u> (back) | ç | as in <u>ich</u> (forward) |