

PHONEMIC SYMBOLS – CONSONANTS

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Phonemic symbols RP/BrE + GenAm	Example words
PLOSIVES	
p	<i><u>p</u>en, ca<u>p</u>, co<u>py</u>, ha<u>pp</u>en, <u>p</u>articular</i>
b	<i><u>b</u>ad, <u>b</u>ack, <u>b</u>ubble, jo<u>b</u>, ubi<u>q</u>uitous</i>
t	<i><u>t</u>eam, <u>t</u>eacher, <u>t</u>ight, bu<u>t</u>ton, ba<u>t</u></i>
d	<i><u>d</u>ad, <u>d</u>ay, la<u>dd</u>er, o<u>dd</u>, u<u>dd</u>er</i>
k	<i><u>k</u>ey, <u>c</u>oin, <u>cl</u>ock, <u>sch</u>ool, <u>sk</u>ate</i>
g	<i><u>g</u>et, <u>gh</u>ost, bi<u>g</u>, gi<u>gg</u>le, ga<u>rg</u>arage</i>
AFFRICATES	
tʃ	<i><u>ch</u>urch, ma<u>ch</u>, na<u>tu</u>re, <u>ch</u>in, <u>ch</u>ease</i>
dʒ	<i><u>j</u>udge, a<u>g</u>e, so<u>ld</u>ier, <u>jam</u>, ad<u>ju</u>rn</i>
FRICATIVES	
f	<i><u>f</u>at, <u>f</u>ilm, co<u>ff</u>ee, rou<u>gh</u>, <u>ph</u>ysics</i>
v	<i><u>v</u>iew, <u>v</u>eil, hea<u>v</u>y, mo<u>v</u>e, <u>v</u>ase</i>
θ	<i><u>th</u>ink, <u>th</u>irsty, au<u>th</u>or, pa<u>th</u>, clo<u>th</u></i>
ð	<i><u>th</u>is, o<u>th</u>er, smoo<u>th</u>, ba<u>th</u>e, soo<u>th</u>ing</i>
s	<i><u>s</u>ip, pla<u>ce</u>, <u>ce</u>ase, <u>s</u>ister, ba<u>ss</u></i>
z	<i><u>z</u>ero, mu<u>si</u>c, ro<u>se</u>s, pla<u>ys</u>, bu<u>zz</u></i>
ʃ	<i><u>sh</u>ip, <u>sh</u>ock, a<u>ss</u>ure, sta<u>ti</u>on, a<u>st</u>onishing</i>
ʒ	<i><u>g</u>enre, plea<u>s</u>ure, vi<u>si</u>on, mea<u>s</u>ure, rou<u>ge</u></i>
h	<i><u>h</u>ot, <u>wh</u>o, <u>wh</u>ole, be<u>h</u>ind, a<u>h</u>ead</i>
NASALS	
m	<i><u>m</u>ore, <u>m</u>other, ha<u>mm</u>er, su<u>m</u>, a<u>m</u>using</i>
n	<i><u>n</u>o, <u>kn</u>ow, fu<u>nn</u>y, su<u>n</u>, a<u>nn</u>oying</i>
ŋ	<i><u>ri</u>ng, a<u>ng</u>er, tha<u>nk</u>s, su<u>ng</u>, wro<u>ng</u></i>
LATERAL APPROXIMANT	
l	<i><u>l</u>ight, a<u>l</u>ike, va<u>ll</u>ey, fee<u>l</u>, rea<u>ll</u>y</i>
APPROXIMANTS	
r	<i><u>r</u>abbit, <u>w</u>rite, so<u>rr</u>y, a<u>rr</u>ange, a<u>gr</u>ee</i>
w	<i><u>w</u>et, <u>o</u>ne, <u>w</u>hen, <u>qu</u>een, a<u>w</u>ake</i>
j	<i><u>y</u>et, <u>y</u>olk, <u>u</u>se, <u>u</u>nique, bea<u>u</u>ty</i>