

IPA Chart

Consonants, vowels and diphthongs, each with its name. Hear an example word for every symbol at www.ipatics.com/tools/ipa-chart.

Consonants

Sounds produced with a partial or full constriction in the vocal tract.

p voiceless bilabial stop	b voiced bilabial stop	t voiceless alveolar stop	d voiced alveolar stop	k voiceless velar stop	g voiced velar stop
ʔ glottal stop	f voiceless labiodental fricative	v voiced labiodental fricative	θ voiceless dental fricative	ð voiced dental fricative	s voiceless alveolar fricative
z voiced alveolar fricative	ʃ voiceless palato-alveolar fricative	ʒ voiced palato-alveolar fricative	h voiceless glottal fricative	x voiceless velar fricative	ç voiceless palatal fricative
tʃ voiceless palato-alveolar affricate	dʒ voiced palato-alveolar affricate	ts voiceless alveolar affricate	m bilabial nasal	n alveolar nasal	ŋ velar nasal
l alveolar lateral approximant	r alveolar trill / approximant	ɹ alveolar approximant (English R)	j palatal approximant (Y sound)	w labial-velar approximant	ɾ alveolar tap (American T)
ʁ voiced uvular fricative (German/French R)					

Vowels

Open-tract sounds, classified by tongue height, backness, and lip rounding.

i close front unrounded vowel	i: long close front vowel	ɪ near-close near- front vowel	e close-mid front unrounded vowel	ɛ open-mid front unrounded vowel	æ near-open front unrounded vowel
a open front unrounded vowel	ɑ open back unrounded vowel	ɑ: long open back unrounded vowel	ɒ open back rounded vowel	ɔ open-mid back rounded vowel	ɔ: long open-mid back rounded vowel
o close-mid back rounded vowel	o: long close-mid back rounded vowel	ʊ near-close near- back rounded vowel	u close back rounded vowel	u: long close back rounded vowel	ʌ open-mid back unrounded vowel
ə mid central vowel (schwa)	ɜ̃ r-colored schwa	ɜ̃ r-colored open- mid central vowel	ɜ: long open-mid central vowel	y close front rounded vowel	ø close-mid front rounded vowel
ɐ near-open central vowel	ɨ close central unrounded vowel	ɵ close-mid central rounded vowel			

Diphthongs

Gliding vowels that move between two target positions in a single syllable.

aɪ diphthong (eye, my)	eɪ diphthong (face, day)	aʊ diphthong (mouth, now)	oʊ diphthong (goat, show)	əʊ diphthong (British goat)	ɔɪ diphthong (choice, boy)
ɪə diphthong (near, here)	eə diphthong (square, there)	ʊə diphthong (cure, tour)			