

Pronunciation

Vowels

a	/eə/ /eɪ/ /æ/ /ɔː/ /ɒ/ /ə/ /ɑː/	care, rare, scare, dare, fare, share name, face, table, lake, take, day, age, ache, late, snake, make apple, bag, hat, man, flat, lamp, fat, hand, black, cap, fan, cat, actor, factor, manner ball, wall, call, tall, small, hall, warn, walk, also, chalk want, wash, watch, what, wasp alarm, away, America arms, dark, bar, star, car, ask, last, fast, glass, far, mask
e	/e/	egg, end, hen, men, ten, bed, leg, tell, penny, pet, bell, pen, tent
i	/ɪ/ /ɜː/ /aɪ/	in, ill, ink, it, is, hill, city, sixty, fifty, lip, lift, silly, chilly girl, sir, skirt, shirt, bird ice, kite, white, shine, bite, high, kind
o	/əʊ/ /ɒ/	home, hope, bone, joke, note, rope, nose, tone, blow, know, no, cold on, ox, hot, top, chop, clock, soft, often, box, sock, wrong, fox
oo	/aʊ/ /ʊ/ /uː/ /ʌ/ /ɔː/	owl, town, clown, how, brown, now, cow book, look, foot room, spoon, too, tooth, food, moon, boot blood, flood floor, door
u	/ɜː/ /ʌ/ /ʊ/ /j/	turn, fur, urge, hurl, burn, burst up, uncle, ugly, much, such, run, jump, duck, jungle, hut, mud, luck pull, push, full, cushion unique, union
y	/aɪ/	sky, fly, fry, try, shy, cry, by

Consonants

b	/b/	box, butter, baby, bell, bank, black
c	/k/ /s/	cat, coal, call, calm, cold cell, city, pencil, circle
d	/d/	down, duck, dim, double, dream, drive, drink
f	/f/	fat, fan, first, food, lift, fifth
g	/g/ /dʒ/	grass, goat, go, gold, big, dog, glue, get, give gem, gin, giant
h	/h/	heat, hit, hen, hand, perhaps BUT hour, honest, dishonest, heir
j	/dʒ/	jam, just, job, joke, jump
k	/k/	keep, king, kick
l	/l/	lift, let, look, lid, clever, please, plot, black, blue, slim, silly

m	/m/	map, man, meat, move, mouse, market, some, small, smell, smile
n	/n/	next, not, tenth, month, kind, snake, snip, noon, run
p	/p/	pay, pea, pen, poor, pink, pencil, plane, please
q	/kw/	quack, quarter, queen, question, quiet
r	/r/	rat, rich, roof, road, ready, cry, grass, bring, fry, carry, red, read
s	/s/ /z/	sit, set, seat, soup, snow, smell, glass, dress, goose houses, cousin, husband
t	/t/	two, ten, tooth, team, turn, tent, tool, trip, train, tree
v	/v/	veal, vet, vacuum, vote, arrive, live, leave, view
w	/w/	water, war, wish, word, world
y	/j/	youth, young, yes, yacht, year
z	/z/	zoo, zebra, buzz, crazy

Diphthongs

ea	/eə/ /ɪə/ /iː/	pear, wear, bear ear, near, fear, hear, clear, year, dear eat, each, heat, leave, clean, seat, neat, tea
	/ɜː/	earth, pearl, learn, search
ee	/iː/ /ɪə/	keep, feed, free, tree, three, bee cheer, deer
ei	/eɪ/ /aɪ/	eight, freight, weight, vein height
ai	/eɪ/	pain, sail, tail, main, bait, fail, mail
ie	/aɪ/	die, tie, lie
ou	/ʌ/ /aʊ/ /ɔɪ/	tough, touch, enough, couple, cousin, trouble mouse, house, round, trout, shout, doubt oil, boil, toil, soil, coin, choice, voice, join
oi	/ɔɪ/	boy, joy, toy, annoy, employ
ou	/ɔː/	court, bought, brought
au	/ɔː/	naughty, caught, taught

Double letters

sh	/ʃ/	shell, ship, shark, sheep, shrimp, shower
ch	/tʃ/	cheese, chicken, cherry, chips, chocolate
ph	/f/	photo, dolphin, phone, elephant
th	/θ/ /ð/	thief, throne, three, bath, cloth, earth, tooth the, this, father, mother, brother, feather
ng	/ŋ/	thing, king, song, sing
nk	/ŋk/	think, tank, bank