

## International Phonetic Alphabet (non-statutory)

The table below shows each symbol of the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) and provides examples of the associated grapheme(s).<sup>1</sup> The table is not a comprehensive alphabetic code chart; it is intended simply as guidance for teachers in understanding the IPA symbols used in the spelling appendix. The pronunciations in the table are, by convention, based on Received Pronunciation and could be significantly different in other accents.

Consonants		Vowels	
/b/	<b>bad</b>	/ɑ:/	<b>father, arm</b>
/d/	<b>dog</b>	/ɒ/	<b>hot</b>
/ð/	<b>this</b>	/æ/	<b>cat</b>
/dʒ/	<b>gem, jug</b>	/aɪ/	<b>mind, fine, pie, high</b>
/f/	<b>if, puff, photo</b>	/aʊ/	<b>out, cow</b>
/g/	<b>gum</b>	/ɛ/	<b>hen, head</b>
/h/	<b>how</b>	/eɪ/	<b>say, came, bait</b>
/j/	<b>yes</b>	/ɛə/	<b>air</b>
/k/	<b>cat, check, key, school</b>	/əʊ/	<b>cold, boat, cone, blow</b>
/l/	<b>leg, hill</b>	/ɪ/	<b>hit</b>
/m/	<b>man</b>	/ɪə/	<b>beer</b>
/n/	<b>man</b>	/i:/	<b>she, bead, see, scheme, chief</b>
/ŋ/	<b>sing</b>	/ɔ:/	<b>launch, raw, born</b>
/θ/	<b>both</b>	/ɔɪ/	<b>coin, boy</b>
/p/	<b>pet</b>	/ʊ/	<b>book</b>
/r/	<b>red</b>	/ʊə/	<b>tour</b>
/s/	<b>sit, miss, cell</b>	/u:/	<b>room, you, blue, brute</b>
/ʃ/	<b>she, chef</b>	/ʌ/	<b>cup</b>
/t/	<b>tea</b>	/ɜ:/	<b>fern, turn, girl</b>
/tʃ/	<b>check</b>	/ə/	<b>farmer</b>
/v/	<b>vet</b>		
/w/	<b>wet, when</b>		
/z/	<b>zip, hens, buzz</b>		
/ʒ/	<b>pleasure</b>		

<sup>1</sup> This chart is adapted slightly from the version provided on the DfE's website to support the Year 1 phonics screening check.