

Consonant Sounds of American English

Consonant Overview

Why do we need phonemic symbols?

Practice saying these sounds and words. Notice their phonemic symbols.

/p/	pan	spot	paper	cup
/b/	box	brother	above	rub
/t/	teach	tree	better	taught
/d/	dance	dream	middle	sad
/k/	cat	sky	ticket	black
/g/	gas	green	bigger	bag
/f/	fish	photograph	free	laugh
/v/	very	vegetable	never	leave
/θ/	think	three	healthy	mouth
/ð/	there	this	brother	breathe
/s/	six	sports	pencil	less
/z/	zoo	zero	reason	buzz
/ʃ/	show	sheep	fishing	brush
/ʒ/	genre	vision	pleasure	beige
/h/	happy	horse	hero	ahead
/tʃ/	chair	cheese	teacher	reach
/dʒ/	just	jam	major	bridge
/m/	monkey	main	summer	warm
/n/	nest	know	winner	bone
/ŋ/	long	thank	singer	angry
/l/	list	play	silly	real
/r/	right	trees	very	far
/w/	weather	warm	twice	away
/y/	yellow	yard	beyond	

Put a checkmark next to the sounds that you'd like to practice more.