

## The International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA)

Vowels	English	French <sup>1</sup>	Italian	Spanish	German
[i]	meet	qui	mi	f <u>i</u> la	L <u>i</u> ebe
[y]		du			fr <u>u</u> h
[e]	cha <u>o</u> tic	é <u>t</u> é, e <u>t</u>	ve <u>r</u> o	pe <u>ch</u> o	me <u>h</u> r
[ø]		peu			sch <u>o</u> n
[ɛ]	let	belle, est	be <u>l</u> lo	pe <u>r</u> ro	Be <u>t</u> t
[œ]		coeur, fle <u>u</u> ri			k <u>o</u> nnen
[a]		table	ca <u>r</u> o	agu <u>a</u>	Ba <u>h</u> n
[ɑ]	f <u>a</u> ther	â <u>m</u> e			
[ɔ]	ou <u>g</u> ht	mort	mo <u>r</u> te		do <u>ch</u>
[o]	o <u>b</u> ey	mot, au, eau	no <u>m</u> e	do <u>s</u>	Ro <u>s</u> e
[u]	too	fou	lu <u>n</u> a	fo <u>r</u> tuna	du
[ə] (schwa)	hi <u>d</u> den	je, que			Le <u>b</u> en, schla <u>f</u> e
[ɪ]	hit				mi <u>t</u>
[ʊ]	put				Mu <u>t</u> ter

Consonants	English	French	Italian	Spanish	German
[ɲ]	onion	agneau, baigné	agnello	español	
[r] (trill)	(thrill)	mourrais	corre, cor	rojo	i <u>h</u> r, Ro <u>s</u> e
[r] (flap)	(spirit)	claire	core	entero	i <u>h</u> re
[ŋ]	sing		sangue	cinco	Ring
[ʒ]	Asia	je			
[ʃ]	shine	charme	lascia		sch <u>o</u> n
[tʃ]	ch <u>a</u> se		ba <u>ci</u> o		ch <u>i</u> co
[dʒ]	ju <u>d</u> ge, gi <u>n</u>		gi <u>o</u> rno		
[x]	loch (Scottish)			gi <u>t</u> ano	nach
[ç]					dich
[β]				hab <u>l</u> ar, lay <u>a</u> r	
[ʎ]	lute (British)		gli	Sevill <u>a</u>	
[v]	vase	vent	vecchio		Weg
[f]	father	fou	fouri	fabula	Vater

Glides	English	French	Italian	Spanish	German
[j]	yes	bien	più	adios	Jahr
[w]	we	oui	quando	huevo	

Note: The IPA presented above serves only as an abbreviated guide. There are many slight differences between languages too subtle to be shown in the IPA.

<sup>1</sup> In French, there are also nasal vowels, such as [ɑ̃] (champ), [ɛ̃] (vin), [ɔ̃] (non), and [œ̃] (un).

The nasal consonants n and m are not pronounced unless there is elision onto the subsequent vowel.

The following website is a reliable source for translations and IPA transcriptions:  
[www.ipasource.com](http://www.ipasource.com).