


# Common Ways to Spell The 26 Consonant Sounds

Letter Symbols and Colour Codes: **Vowel sounds** **Consonant sounds** **Lazy vowels** **Special partners** **Silent letters** **Whispered sound** **\* Voiced sound**



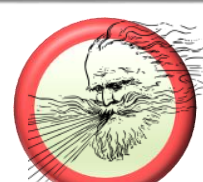
**Plosives**  
Like a little stop or explosion

<p><b>"puh"</b></p> <p>p pen</p> <p>pp pepper</p>	<p><b>"buh"</b></p> <p>b bat</p> <p>bb rabbit</p>	<p><b>"tuh"</b></p> <p>t tap</p> <p>tt kitten</p> <p>ed jumped</p> <p>ed missed</p>	<p><b>"duh"</b></p> <p>d dog</p> <p>dd ladder</p> <p>ed lived</p>	<p><b>"cuh"</b></p> <p>c cat</p> <p>k kite</p> <p>ck duck</p> <p>ch school</p> <p>qu quaits</p> <p>qu quack (cuh+wuh+a+cuh)</p> <p>ch ache</p>	<p><b>"guh"</b></p> <p>g gate</p> <p>gg egg</p> <p>gu disguise</p> <p>gh ghost</p>
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**Nasals**  
Made through the nose

<p><b>"nnn"</b></p> <p>n net</p> <p>kn knee</p> <p>nn spanner</p> <p>gn sign</p>	<p><b>"mmm"</b></p> <p>m man</p> <p>mm hammer</p> <p>mb thumb</p>	<p><b>"ng"</b></p> <p>ng swing</p> <p>n wink</p>	<p><b>STOP</b></p> <p><b>Affricates</b> Stops + vibration</p>	<p><b>"ch"</b></p> <p>ch chain</p> <p>ct picture (pic-chuh)</p> <p>tch watch</p>	<p><b>"juh"</b></p> <p>j jump</p> <p>g giant</p> <p>dge fridge</p> <p>ge cage</p> <p>g religion (re-lij-on)</p> <p>d soldier (sol-juh)</p>
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**Lateral**  
Air flows past the side of the tongue

<p><b>"lll"</b></p> <p>l lemon</p> <p>ll pillow</p>	<p><b>Glides</b> Goes smoothly into or from another sound</p>	<p><b>"rrr"</b></p> <p>r rabbit</p> <p>rr berry</p> <p>wr write</p>	<p><b>"wuh"</b></p> <p>w web</p> <p>wh white</p> <p>u queen (cuh+wuh+e-nnn)</p>	<p><b>"yuh"</b></p> <p>y yo-yo</p>	<p><b>"huh"</b></p> <p>h hat</p> <p>wh who</p>	<p><b>Combination of Sounds</b></p>	<p><b>"ks"</b></p> <p>x 6 six</p>	<p><b>"gz"</b></p> <p>x exam</p>
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**Fricatives**  
Vibrations

<p><b>"thhh"</b></p> <p>th thongs</p> <p><b>"th"</b></p> <p>th 3rd *third</p>	<p><b>"sss"</b></p> <p>s sun</p> <p>ss dress</p> <p>c city</p> <p>ce dice</p> <p>se horse</p> <p>sc science</p>	<p><b>"zzz"</b></p> <p>z zip</p> <p>zz fizz</p> <p>s laser</p> <p>ch sneeze</p> <p>se cheese</p>	<p><b>"shh"</b></p> <p>sh ship</p> <p>ch machine</p> <p>si mansion</p> <p>ti <math>\frac{3}{8} + \frac{6}{4}</math> fraction</p> <p>ss tissue</p> <p>s sugar</p> <p>ci magician</p> <p>ch champagne</p> <p>xi anxious</p>	<p><b>"zh"</b></p> <p>su measure</p>	<p><b>"fff"</b></p> <p>f fox</p> <p>ph phone</p> <p>ff off</p> <p>gh laugh</p>	<p><b>"vvv"</b></p> <p>v van</p> <p>vv skivvy</p> <p>f of of</p>
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