

SPEL'ING BE

It should come as no surprise that English words are not always spelled the way they sound. Luckily, dictionaries not only provide correct spellings and definitions of words, but give proper pronunciation clues as well. Usually these clues are found in parentheses immediately following each entry. If ever in doubt as to the correct interpretation of the pronunciation symbols, check the front of your dictionary for a pronunciation guide.

Using the abbreviated pronunciation key, test your ability to correctly determine the 25 words that are represented below. Write each word's proper spelling on the space provided. Check with a dictionary only after completing all 25 words. Use the blank spaces to list pronunciation clues for words you'd like to challenge someone else in class to figure out.

Pronunciation Key			
	<i>Key</i>		<i>Key</i>
<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Words</i>	<i>Symbol</i>	<i>Words</i>
a	fat	b	bed, dub
a	ape	d	dip, had
a	car	f	fall, off
		g	get, dog
e	ten	h	he, ahead
e	even	j	joy, agile
		k	kill, bake
i	is	l	let, ball
i	bite	m	met, trim
		n	not, ton
o	go	p	put, tap
o	horn	r	red, dear
oo	tool	s	sell, pass
oo	look	t	top, hat
yoo	use	v	vat, have
yoo	united	w	will, always
oi	oil	y	yet, yard
ou	out	z	zebra, haze
		ch	chin, arch
u	up	sh	she, dash
ur	urn	th	thin, truth
		th	then, father
?	a in ago	zh	azure, leisure
	e in agent	?	ring, drink
	i in sanity		
	o in comply		
	u in focus		
?r	perhaps		

1. ik sper ? m?nt _____
2. si käl ? j e _____
3. noz _____
4. kam pan _____
5. na b ?r _____
6. staj _____
7. dis giz _____
8. sär j?nt _____
9. kwot _____
10. ri frij ? rat ?r _____
11. f? zish ?n _____
12. fas _____
13. ar o _____
14. gra v e _____
15. lik wid _____
16. voi ij _____
17. ko ko _____
18. bo ka _____
19. eg zil _____
20. hous _____
21. booch ?r _____
22. dans _____
23. fun e _____
24. näl ij _____
25. härt _____
26. _____
27. _____
28. _____
29. _____
30. _____