

2 Theoretical introduction (2): phonetics, phonology, and writing

IPA symbols needed for writing English phonemes

Consonants:

p	t	k
b	d	g
		tʃ
		dʒ
f	θ	s
v	ð	z
m	n	ŋ
	l	r
w		j

pit	to	cod
bit	do	god
		chin
		gin
fin	thin	sin
van	the	zoo
man	not	vision
	lay	ray
wet		yet

Vowels:

ə

the

ɪ	ʊ
e	
æ	ʌ
	ɒ

rick	rook
reck	
rack	ruck
	rock

i:	u:
ɜ:	ɔ:
	ɑ:

meet	moot
	port
	part

eɪ	ɔɪ
aɪ	

mate	boil
mite	

əʊ
aʊ

note
now

ɪə	ʊə
eə	

mere	gourd
mare	

eɪə	ɔɪə
aɪə	

player	employer
tire	

əʊə
aʊə

lower
tower