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The 48 Sounds of English with the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA)

23 Vowel Sounds: (8 short) (5 long) (10 diphthongs)

1. ɪ dish	/dɪʃ/	8. iː three	/θriː/
2. æ bat	/bæt/	9. ɑː star	/stɑː/
3. ɒ sock	/sɒk/	10. ɔː ball	/bɔːl/
4. ʊ pull	/pʊl/	11. uː shoot	/ʃuːt/
5. ə shoulder	/'ʃəʊldə/	12. ɜː shirt	/'ʃɜːt/
6. e leg	/leg/	13. ʌ cup	/'kʌp/
7. i happy	/'hæpi/		

10 Diphthongs:

14. eɪ plane	/pleɪn/	19. əʊ home	/həʊm/
15. aɪ time	/taɪm/	20. aʊ cow	/kaʊ/
16. ɔɪ toy	/tɔɪ/	21. ɪə here	/hɪə/
17. eə pear	/peə/	22. ʊə pure	/pʊə/
18. aɪə hire	/'haɪə/	23. aʊə power	/'paʊə/

25 Consonant Sounds: (15 voiced) (10 unvoiced)

24. b bag	/bæg/	37. r road	/rəʊd/
25. g glass	/glɑːs/	38. w week	/wiːk/
26. v van	/væn/	39. j yoghurt	/'jɒgət/
27. t taxi	/'tæksi/	40. m music	/'mjuːzɪk/
28. d dice	/daɪs/	41. n nurse	/nɜːs/
29. θ thousand	/'θaʊznd/	42. ŋ ring	/rɪŋ/
30. ð brother	/'brʌðə/	43. l lake	/leɪk/
31. p pig	/pɪg/	44. f frog	/frɒg/
32. k kit	/kɪt/	45. z zip	/zɪp/
33. s snow	/snəʊ/	46. ʒ revision	/rɪ'vɪʒn/
34. ʃ shop	/'ʃɒp/	47. dʒ jam	/dʒæm/
35. tʃ cheese	/'tʃiːz/	48. x loch	/lɒx/
36. h head	/hed/		

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