

BBC Phonetic Respelling Chart

VOWELS		
a	hat	
aa	father	
arr	marry	
ar	bar	
air	hair	
aw	law	
ay	day	
e	get	
err	merry	
ee	meet	
eer	deer	
i	sit	
irr	mirror	
0	top	
orr	sorry	
oh	no	
00	boot	
oor	poor	
or	corn	
ow	now	
oy	boy	
u	cup	
uh	ago/the	
ur	fur	
urr	hurry	
uu	book	
y	cry (also igh as in high)	
oe	French peu or coeur	
oey	French fauteuil	
ue	French vu or German fünf	

CONSONANTS	
b	bat
ch	church
d	day
f	fat
g	get
h	hat
hl	welsh llan
j	jack
k	king
kh	Scottish loch or German ich
1	leg
m	man
n	not
ng	sing
ng-g	finger
nk	thank
p	pen
r	red
S	sit
sh	shop
t	top
th	thin
dh	there
V	van
w	will
y	yes
Z	zebra
zh	measure

¹(ng) after a vowel indicates nasalization; as in French un bon vin blanc: oe(ng) bo(ng) va(ng) blah(ng).

³ Public Address Announcer in the BBC Method would be: PU-blik uh-DRES uh-NOWN-sur



² The BBC respellings acknowledge word-final or pre-consonantal R, as in words like *party* and *hair*, which is pronounced in some accents of English (rhotic) and not in others (non-rhotic). Therefore, *Parker* is transcribed as par-kuhr, not pah-kuh, and the rs will be pronounced or not according to the speaker's accent.