



# PAA Phonetic Respelling Chart

VOWELS	
<b>agh</b>	bat
<b>ah</b>	father, rot, stop
<b>air</b>	bear, marry
<b>ar</b>	farther
<b>aw</b>	law
<b>ay</b>	day
<b>ee</b>	beat, happy
<b>eh</b>	bet, prestige
<b>ear</b>	near, mere
<b>ew</b>	cute, beauty, cure
<b>eye</b>	cry, high, buy, bite, bide
<b>ih</b>	bit, historic, trip
<b>ire</b>	hire, perspire
<b>oh</b>	boat, know, close
<b>oir</b>	coir ( <i>rare</i> )
<b>oo</b>	boot, you, influence
<b>or</b>	horse, poor, moral
<b>ow</b>	bout, vow, flour
<b>oy</b>	choice, boy
<b>uh</b>	ago, the, but
<b>ur</b>	bird, fur, hurry
<b>uu</b>	book

CONSONANTS	
<b>b</b>	buy
<b>ch</b>	church, nature
<b>d</b>	dye, ladder
<b>f</b>	fight
<b>gh</b>	go, guess, guitar
<b>h</b>	high
<b>j</b>	jive, edge
<b>k</b>	kite, sky, lock
<b>kh</b>	loch, chanukah, ich
<b>l</b>	lie, sly,
<b>m</b>	my, man
<b>n</b>	night, known, runner
<b>ng</b>	ring, singer
<b>ng-g</b>	finger
<b>nk</b>	sink, thank
<b>p</b>	pie, spy
<b>r</b>	rye, try
<b>s</b>	sigh
<b>ss</b>	ice, tense
<b>sh</b>	shy, push
<b>t</b>	tie, sty, latter
<b>th</b>	thigh, this, thy
<b>v</b>	vie
<b>w</b>	wye, water, why
<b>y</b>	you, yes, yuck
<b>z</b>	zoo, zebra
<b>zh</b>	measure, leisure

NOTE: The PAA Phonetic Respelling method is designed to be a simplified, practical respelling chart for quick everyday usage. Truly a quick reference, it leverages the common sense visual combinations of vowels seen every day. It is highly efficient but, less precise than BBC, Wikipedia or even IPA. If you require meticulousness to your respellings, the recommendation is to go ahead and use one of those aforementioned charts.

Public Address Announcer respelled in the PAA Respelling Method is: **PUH-blihk uh-DREHSS uh-NOWN-sur**

