



# Analyzing the Letters of the Alphabet

Regarding the sounds they most often spell (US accent) and top 10 words per letter

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The [letter "a"](#)

The letter "a" (alone) spells these 5 sounds  
(not including silent e or vowel combinations)

<u>sound</u>	<u>%n</u>	<u>top word</u>	<u>in ~</u>
~e	54%	and	~and
~u	30%	was	~wuz
~a	8%	are	~ær
~o	5%	social	~soeshool
~i	3%	important	~importint
100%			

Note: The sound ~a is spelled by letter "a" 99% of the time in tradspel.

Top 10 words with "a" (alone)

tradspel      truespel

and	~and	~a
a	~u	~u
that	~that	~a
was	~wuz	~u
is	~z	~a
had	~had	~a
at	~at	~a
have	~hav	~a
are	~ar	~a
all	~al	~au



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The letter "b"

The letter "b" spells only one sound in US English (~b), as in "bible" ~biebəl

1% of the time "b" is not pronounced

The top word for that is "doubt" ~dout

Top 10 words with "b" in them

tradspel truespel

be	~bee
but	~but
by	~bie
been	~bin
about	~uhbout
because	~beekuz
back	~bak
before	~beffor
being	~beeyeing
between	~bitween

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Sample is the top 4,000 words of English in text for 1.5 million word instances.

## The letter "c"

The letter "c" spells three sounds in US English, ~k, ~s, ~ch

### Top word per sound

<u>sound</u>	<u>#n</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>truespel</u>
-k	0.59	can	~kan
-s	0.22	place	~plæs
-ch	0.19	which	~wich

Top 10 words with "c" in them

tradspel truespel

which	~wich
can	~ken
could	~kood
because	~beekuz
back	~bak
much	~much
such	~such
come	~kum
came	~kaem
course	~kors

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Sample is the top 5,000 words of English in text for 15.4 million word instances.

## The letter "d"

The letter "d" spells one sound in US English 98% of the time. It sometimes is ~j, and rarely ~t

		Top word per sound	
<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
~d	98%	and	~and (~en)
~j	2%	education	ejukkaeshin
~t ()	0%	second	~sekint (~sekin')

Top 10 words with "e" in them

tradspel true spel

and	~and
had	~had
would	~wood
said	~sed
do	~due
could	~koed
down	~doun
did	~did
doesn't	~doent
made	~maed

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## The letter "e"

The letter "e" spells many sounds in US English. See below. It sometimes spells no sound at all. (The count below doesn't include vowel combinations, like "ee" "ea")

		Top word per sound	
<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
~none	30%	have	~hay
~e	17%	when	~wen
~u	17%	the	~tha*
~i	11%	even	~eevin
~er	11%	her	~her
~ee	11%	he	~hee
	97%		

Top 10 words with "e" in them

tradspel true spel

the	~thu
he	~hee
be	~bee
they	~thae
have	~hav
are	~ar
she	~shee
her	~her
we	~wee
were	~wer

## The letter "f"

The letter "f" spells primarily one sound in US English, the ~f sound. Uniquely, there is one huge exception, the word "of," which is ~uv.

sound	%n	Top word per sound	
		<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
~f	63%	for	~for (~fer)
~uv	37%	of	~uv

Top 10 words with "f" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
of	~uv
for	~for
from	~frum
if	~if
first	~ferst
after	~after
before	~beffor
off	~auf
life	~lief
few	~fyue

The letter "g"

The letter "g" spells primarily two sounds in US English, the "hard g" and "soft g."

sound	%n	Top word per sound	
		<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
~g	72%	get	~get
-none(gh)	14%	through	~thruue
~j	13%	large	~harj
	99%		

Top 10 words with "g" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
get	~get
go	~goe
good	~good
through	~thhuue
got	~guat
being	~beeyeng (bee'eng)
going	~gooweng (go'eng)
right	~riet
long	~laang
again	~uggen

The letter "h"

The letter "h" spells several sounds in US English, primarily used as a "helper" combined with other letters to spell various sounds.

sound	% of words	Top word per sound	
		tradspel	true spel
-th	47%	the	-tha
-h	22%	he	-hee
-thh	9%	with	-withh
-none(wh)	6%	what	-wut
-ch	5%	mac	-much
-sh	5%	she	-shee
-none(gh)	4%	high	-hic
	98%		

Top 10 words with "h" in them

tradspel	true spel
the	-tha
that	-that
he	-hee
with	-withh
had	-had
his	-his
they	-thae
have	-hav
this	-this
she	-shee

## The letter "i"

The letter "i" spells many vowel sounds in US English, especially "short i" (-ɪ), "long ī" (-ī) and "long e" (-ē)

sound	% of words	Top word per sound	
		tradspel	true spel
-ɪ	60%	in	-in
-ī	18%	I	-ī
-ē	14%	being	-beeinge
	9%		

Top 10 words with "i" in them

tradspel	true spel
in	-in
it	-it
I	-ī
is	-īz
with	-withh
his	-his
this	-this
which	-wich
if	-if
their	-their

## The letter "j"

The letter "j" spells one sound in US English, ~j. This sound is also called "soft g" and that sound is actually more often spelled by the letter "g."

Top word per sound			
sound	%	transpel	true spel
~j	100%	just	~just

Top 10 words with "j" in them

transpel	true spel
just	~just
job	~job
John	~Jaan
major	~majeer
subject	~subjeekt
jobs	~jusbz
majority	~majortee
object	~objekt (objekt)
Jesus	~Jeezus ~Jeezis
enjoy	~enjoij

## The letter "k"

The letter "k" spells one sound in US English, ~k, but when combined with letter "g" is silent.

Top word per sound			
sound	%	transpel	true spel
~k(k)	74%	like	~like
~k(ch)	16%	back	~bak
-none(k)	10%	know	~noe
	100%		

Top 10 words with "k" in them

transpel	true spel
like	~like
know	~noe
back	~bak
think	~thiweak
make	~maek
work	~werk
take	~taek
look	~look
looked	~looked
took	~took

## The letter "l"

The letter "l" spells one sound in US English, ~l, but when before certain consonants the "l" is silent.

<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>
-l	93%
none	7%

Top word per sound

<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>transpel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-l	93%	all	-al
none	7%	would	-wood

Top 10 words with "l" in them

<u>transpel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
all	-al
would	-wood
will	-wil
like	-lick
could	-kood
only	-onlee
people	-peopool
well	-wel
should	-sheod

## The letter "m"

The letter "m" spells one sound in US English, ~m

<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>
-m	100%

Top word per sound

<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>transpel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-m	100%	from	-frum

Top 10 words with "m" in them

<u>transpel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
from	-frum
my	-mie
him	-him
more	-mor
me	-mee
them	-them
some	-sum
time	-tyme
most	-moest
much	-much

## The letter "n"

The letter "n" spells one sound in US English, ~n

		Top word per sound			
<u>sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
~n	100%	and	~and		

Top 10 words with "n" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
and	~and (~en)
in	~in
on	~aan
not	~naat
one	~wun
an	~an
been	~bin
when	~wen
no	~noe
can	~kan (~ken)

## The letter "o"

The letter "o" spells many sounds in US English, alone and in combination with other letters

The most popular sounds associated to letter "o" alone are:

<u>Sound</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>	<u>%</u>
-u	of	~uv	35%
-ue	to	~tue	24%
-aa	on	~aan	19%
-oe	so	~soe	15%
-uu	long	~laung	4%
-i	women	~winin	2%
total			99%

Top 10 words with "o" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
of	~uv
to	~tue (~tu)
for	~for (~fer)
you	~yue (~yu)

on	~aan
not	~naat (~naat)
or	~or
from	~frum
one	~wun
so	~soe

## The letter "p"

The letter "p" spells mainly one sound in US English, ~p

Top word per sound			
sound	%	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
"p"	98%	up	~up
"ph"	2%	physical	~fizikool
"p"(silent)	0%	psychological	~siekullasjikool
	100%		

Top 10 words with "p" in them

tradspel    true spel

up	~up
people	~peopool
pot	~poot
place	~plaes
part	~paart (~paar')
perhaps	~perhaps
point	~point
help	~help
party	~paartee (~paarder)
important	~importint

The letter "q"

THE LETTER Q IN US ENGLISH

The letter "q" spells mainly one sound in US English, ~k and is 99% of the time as "qu" taking the sounds ~kwet

Top word per sound			
sound	%	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-k	99%	quite	~kwiet

Top 10 words with "q" in them

tradspel    true spel

quite	~kwiet
question	~kweschin
quickly	~kwiklee
questions	~kweschinz
quality	~kwailtee
required	~rikwierid
square	~skwae
quiet	~kwieyt
equally	~eekwoolee
equipment	~kwipment

The letter "r"

The letter "r" spells mainly one sound in US English, ~r. The ~r sound affects vowel sounds such that 3 vowels are unique as "r-influenced vowels" (~air, ~er, ~or). It is also often dropped at the end of words.

sound	%	Top word per sound	
		tradspel	truespel
~r	100%	for	~for (~fer)



Top 10 words with "r" in them	
tradspel	truespel
for	~for (~fer)
are	~aer (~əə)
or	~or (~er, ~u)
from	~frum
her	~her (~hər)
were	~wer (~wər)
there	~thair (~θhaɪ)
their	~thair (~θhaɪ)
more	~mor (~maʊ)
other	~uther (~uthə)

## The letter "s"

### TOP LETTERS IN AN WORDLIST

The letter "s" spells mainly two sounds. Mainly it spells the ~s sound (46%), but many plurals ending in "s" are pronounced as ~z (37%). About 6% of the time letter "s" is combined with "h" for "sh" the ~sh sound.

sound	%	Top word per sound	
		tradspel	truespel
~s	46%	this	~this
~z	37%	was	~wuz
~sh	6%	she	~shee



Top 10 words with "s" in them	
tradspel	truespel
was	~wuz
is	~iz
as	~az
his	~hiz
this	~this
she	~shee
so	~soe
sold	~sed
has	~haz
some	~sum

## The letter "t"

The letter "t" spells mainly four sounds and a nonsound. The three main sounds are -t-, -th-, and -thh-. The fourth sound is a -d- swap for the letter "l." The nonsound is a swap of a glottal stop for the ending "t."

Top word per sound			
sound	%	tradspel	true spel
-t *	53%	to	-the
-th	29%	the	-thu
-thh	6%	with	-withh

\* Note: -d swaps and glottal stops are not counted.

## The letter "u"

### THE LETTER "U": % OF USE AND EXAMPLES

The letter "u" spells many sounds. The most frequent is short u (29%) -u, as in "but." The letter "u" is found in text more in combination with other letters than alone.

Top word per sound			
spelling	%	tradname	instances
"u"	42%	but	-but (-bu̯)
"ou"	41%	you	-yue
"u-c"	6%	used	-yuedz
"ar"	3%	because	-bakkuz
"qu"	3%	quite	-kwiet (kwie̯t)
"ur"	4%	used	-bend
"ui"	1%	sun	-soet (-soe̯t)

Top 10 words with "i" in them	
tradspel	true spel
the	-thu
to	-the
that	-that (-tha̯)
it	-it (-i̯)
with	-with
at	-at (-a̯)
but	-but (-bu̯)
not	-nat (-na̯)
they	-thae̯

## The letter "v"

## THE LETTER "V" IN US ENGLISH

The letter "v" spells one sound ~v. The sound ~v would be consistently spelled were it not for one big exception, the word "of" ~və.

sound	%	Top word per sound
		<u>tradspel</u> <u>truespel</u>
~v	100%	

Top 10 words with "v" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>truespel</u>
have	~hav
very	~vairce
over	~oever
even	~eevin
never	~niver
every	~evrec
give	~giv
ever	~ever
however	~houwwever
	~hou"ever
having	~haveeng

The letter "w"

## THE LETTER "W" IN US ENGLISH

The letter "w" spells one sound ~w primarily. It does have several instances where it spells no sound at all.

sound	%	Top word per sound
		<u>tradspel</u> <u>truespel</u>
~w	60%	was ~wəz
~noe	22%	two ~təo
~w(wh)	15%	which ~wɪtʃ
-h	4%	who ~huo

Top 10 words with "w" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>truespel</u>
was	~wəz
with	~withh
we	~wee
were	~wer
which	~wich
would	~wood
what	~wat (~wət)
when	~wen
who	~huo
will	~wil (~wool)

The letter "x"

The letter "x" spells two sounds primarily, ~k and ~g.

Top word per sound			
<u>Sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-ks	81%	ned	~nekst
-gz	18%	example	~igzəmple

Top 10 words with "x" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
next	~nekst
example	~igzəmple
six	~siks
experience	~ekspəriəns
except	~eksept
exactly	~igzaklee
expected	~eskpektid
sex	~seks
expect	~eskpekt
tax	~taks

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The letter "y"

### THE LETTER "Y" IN US ENGLISH

The letter "y" alone is the only letter that spells a consonant and vowels. It spells a consonant only 19% of the time in running text. Below is a breakdown of vowel spelling frequency.

Top word per sound			
<u>Sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-ee	55%	only	~oenlee
-ie	17%	by	~bee
-ae(ay)	15%	way	~wae
-ae(ey)	10%	they	~thaee
-oi(oy)	2%	boy	~boi
-i	1%	physical	~fizikool

Top 10 words with "y" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
you	~yue
they	~thae
by	~bie
try	~trie
only	~oenlee
very	~varee
your	~yor (~yer)
any	~enee
way	~wae
they	~thaee

The letter "z"

## THE LETTER "Z" IN US ENGLISH

The letter "z" spells only one sound -z. It is the least prevalent letter of the alphabet in text. But the -z sound is of average prevalence since the letter "s" for plurals is often pronounced -z.

Top word per sound

<u>Sound</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
-z	100%	size	-siez

Top 10 words with "z" in them

<u>tradspel</u>	<u>true spel</u>
size	-siez
realized	-rezyulized
organization	-orginizzaeshin
dozen	-duzin
realize	-rezyuliez
organizations	-orginizzaeshinz
magazine	-magazeen
recognized	-rekogniezd
realized	-rezyulized
organized	-orginiezd

