



Phonetics Symbols: Vowels and Consonants

Objective: to identify the sounds of the English language.

1. Complete the chart with the vowels and consonants.

VOWELS

'short'

'long'

diphthongs

CONSONANTS

voiceless

voiced

ɪ	ʊ	ɔɪ	ʒɪ	aɪ	e	ɪə
ʊ	ə	əʊ	ʌ	eə	ɒ	ʊə
æ	aɪ	eɪ	iɪ	ɔɪ		aʊ

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

2. Write each of the following words in phonetic transcription.

1. heat: _____

2. stroke: _____

3. phase: _____

4. chump: _____

5. loonie: _____
6. Shrink: _____

7. Toque: _____

8. Attentive: _____

9. Flop: _____

10. Wrath: _____

3. The following is a phonetic transcription of an excerpt of the poem "The Walrus and the Carpenter", from Lewis Carroll's book Through the Looking Glass. Each line of the poem contains one word that is transcribed incorrectly, at the phonemic or "broad" level of transcription.

Task #1: Identify the word that has been transcribed incorrectly, and then write

the correct form of the transcription.

Task #2: Write each line in normal English orthography.

- 1: [ðə tajm hæz kʌm]
- 2: [tu talk əv məni θɪŋz]
- 3: [əv juz and ʃɪps]
- 4: [ænd silɪŋ wæx]
- 5: [ænd weθər pɪgz hæv wɪŋz]