

Grapheme	How to say the sound	Action	Alliteration
s, ss	Touch the back of your teeth with your tongue, keep teeth slightly closed, smile and blow.	Weave hand in an s shape like a snake and say 'sssss!'	Slippery snakes slither and slide!
a	With your mouth open and tongue low and to the front, make a sound.	Mouth open and wide, say 'a, a, a' like you are very cold!	An angry ant appears on an apple.
t	Touch the back of your teeth with your tongue as you make a soft sound.	Touch the teeth with your tongue and say 't,t,t'	Terrible tigers have tremendous teeth.
p	Bring both lips together. Force a short burst of air through to open the lips.	Close and press the lips together to say 'p,p,p' for pop.	Popping popcorn pops out of the pan.
i	Put your tongue high in your mouth, smile and make a sound.	Smile and say 'i,i,i'	An indigo iguana is inky blue.
n	Push your tongue up to the roof of your mouth and make a sound.	Say 'nnn' and wave your arms like an alarm clock. 'N' is a nasal sound.	The naughty nanny goats nibble new newspapers.
d	Place your tongue behind your upper teeth, force sound out of the mouth as your move your tongue away.	Beat hands up and down as if playing a drum and say 'd,d,d'	Don't dunk your doughnuts in your drink or they will drop.
m	Press your lips together and make a sound.	'Mmmm...' Rub tummy in a circular motion. 'M' is a nasal sound.	My mum made melt-in-your-mouth mints.
g	Touch the top of your mouth with your tongue and make a noise.	Say 'g,g,g,g' as though giggling and pretend to tickle with your fingers.	The gold goose greedily ate green grass.
c, ck	Keep your tongue low. Open your mouth. The back of your tongue should touch the back of your throat. Force out a sound.	Make letter c-shaped 'cat's ears' with hands, saying 'c,c,c, cat.'	Cute cats can create chaos!
b	Press your lips together and force out a sound.	Pretend a balloon has burst by saying 'b,b,b bang!'	Ben baked banana bread but it burnt.

k, ck	Keep your tongue low. Open your mouth. The back of your tongue should touch the back of your throat. Force out a sound.	Say 'k,k,k kick the ball.'	Ken keeps kittens in a basket in the kitchen.
l, ll	Touch behind the top teeth with your tongue and make a sound.	Pretend to lick a lollipop and say 'l,l,l,l,l,l.'	Lucy likes licking lovely lollipops.
v	Touch your top teeth to your bottom lip and force air through the closed gap.	Pretend to be holding the steering wheel of a van and say 'vvvvv.'	Visit the vets to vaccinate pets.
r	Curl lower lip outwards. Bring top teeth down towards lower lip. Make a sound.	Pretend to be a dog and say 'rrrr.'	Remarkable red rockets race to space.
o	Round your mouth and make a sound.	Make a round 'o' mouth shape. Imagine lots of 'o' letters in the air. As you touch each one with a finger, say 'o.'	Olly the octopus like only odd and orange things.
e	Put your tongue in the middle of your mouth. Smile slightly. With your mouth open, say a sound (eh).	Pretend to be a baby pointing at an elephant, saying 'eh, eh, eh.'	Every enormous elephant enjoys entertaining baby elephants.
u	Round your mouth and keep your tongue high and at the back. Say a sound (uh).	Pretend to be an ape and say 'u, u, u' (uh) with arm actions.	Up go the umbrellas and we stay dry underneath.
f, ff	Put your top teeth onto your lower lip and force some air through.	Pretend to be a puffer fish, saying 'f,f,f,f.'	Fred forgot his flip-flops in France.
h	Keep mouth open with tongue down. Make a whisper sound, blowing air from the back of the throat.	Pretend that you are holding a hot bun. Say 'h,h,h,h!'	Happy horses have heavy hooves.

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