

## How does it work?

**Paech Phonetics (PP) is a major breakthrough for the student of English.**

Modern English is the least phonetic of the major world languages and therefore students need a sound coding system to accurately and consistently decode the printed text into its correct sounds.

The printed text is not a reliable guide of the sounds it represents. Traditionally, students have had to rely on a phonetic alphabet, such as the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) to sound code English words. As a result, students of English as a second language ultimately had to learn both the English alphabet AND an additional phonetic alphabet.

The PP code reduces the additional cognitive load of learning the likes of the IPA. Its visual and phonetic simplicity allows the student to phonetically encode/decode the English language without using other difficult alternate third party sound codes such as the IPA.

The core elements of the code are summarised below:

- 1) Vowels are coded **red** with a numerical superscript that sound codes the vowel. These are numbered 1 through 23.
- 2) Consonants are coded **blue**.
- 3) Non-phonetic consonants are coded **blue**, with a phonetic superscript.
- 4) Consonant digraphs are coded **blue** and are underlined, indicating the two letters make only one sound.
- 5) Silent letters are coded **gray**.

**Example 1.**

**choice**

“oi” is a vowel combination that makes sound 17

“c” is a consonant that makes the same sound as “s”

17

s

“ch” is a consonant digraph

“e” is a silent letter

## Additional Symbols

Words are divided into syllables, with syllable breaks represented by a black dot. The stressed syllable for each word is represented in bold print.

**Example 2.**

**casual**

stressed syllable in bold print

glide sound between syllables

1

zh

12

w13

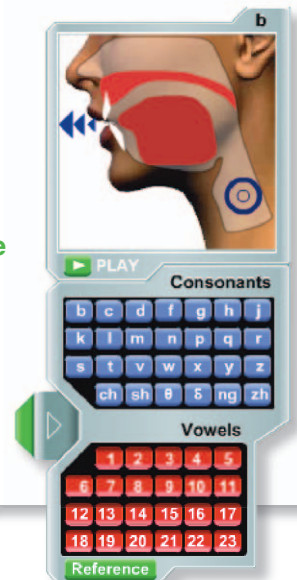
syllable break

## On-line Tools

The program provides a range of on-line tools, such as the sound panel to provide easy access to examples of correct sounds.



Demonstrates native speaker movements for correct pronunciation



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