

/i/ AS IN MEET

1.- **ee** meet, feel, see, free, sheet

2.- **ea** team, reach, mean, sea

3.- **ie and ei** belief, piece, neither, receive

4.- **final e** me, we, she, he

5.- **e + consonant + e** these, Chinese, Peter

6.- **final y** city, duty, country, ability

7.- **endings with ique** unique, boutique, critique

/ɛ/ AS IN GET

1.- **e** get, end, next, general

2.- **ea** heavy, head, read, measure

exceptions: said, says again, against, any, many,

/ə*/ AS IN FUN*

1.- **u** but, fun, summer, drunk

2.- **o** love, done, come, son

2.- **ou** cousin, country, enough

*The IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet) symbol for the stressed vowel is /ʌ/ and for the unstressed vowel it is /ə/. They are basically the same sound. Throughout this book the /ə/ will be used for both. For further study of this reduced, neutral sound, refer to Chapter Five, which deals with syllable stress and reduced vowels

/ʊ/ AS IN GOOD

1.- **o** good, look, childhood, understood

2.- **u** push, full, pull, sugar

3.- **ould** would, could, should

exception: woman sounds like "wumun"

/aɪ/ AS IN TIME

1.- **y** fly, sky, apply, style

2.- **i** nice, kind, fine, sign

3.- **igh** light, fight, sight, night

4.- **ie** lie, tie, tried

/ɪ/ AS IN SIT

1.- **i** sit, give, this, dinner

2.- **ui** build, quit, quick, guilty

3.- **y between consonants** system, gym, symbol, hymn

exceptions ": women , sounds like wimin (the o is an /ɪ/ sound)

/æ/ AS IN FAT

1.- **a** hat, apple, man, answer

/ɔ/ AS IN SAW

1.- **aw** saw, law, awful, awesome

2.- **au** author, August, applaud, audition

3.- **al** small, walk, tall, always

4.- **ought** bought, thought, fought

5.- **aught** daughter, caught

6.- **o** gone, off, long

/u/ AS IN TOO

1.- **oo** too, food, school, tool

2.- **ue** true, blue, avenue

3.- **o** do, who, lose, prove

4.- **ew** new, blew, drew

5.- **u** super, rule, duty, student

/aʊ/ AS IN HOUSE

1.- **ou** found, loud, around, thousand

2.- **ow** now, down, crowd, vowel

/eɪ/ AS IN TAKE

1.- **a + consonant + e** late, came, take, save

2.- **ai** rain, wait, pain, aim

3.- **ay** say, away, play, Monday

4.- **ey** they, survey, obey

5.- **eigh** weigh, eight, neighbor, freight

6.- **a**

less common : April, alien, angel

/ɑ/ AS IN FATHER

1.- **o** hot, stop, modern, job

2.- **a** father, watch, dark, want

/oʊ/ AS IN BOAT

1.- **o** no, don't, home, only

2.- **oa** road, coat, boat

3.- **ow** own, slow, window

4.- **ough** though, although



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/əɪ/ AS IN BIRD

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|----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.- er | her, mercy, mother, winner |
| 2.- ear | heard, learn, earth |
| 3.- ir | first, girl, firm |
| 4.- or | doctor, word, worry |
| 5.- ur | occur, curtain, jury |
| 6.- ure | insecure, culture |
| 7.- ar | grammar, collar |

/ɔɪ/ AS IN BOY

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|---------------|---------------------------|
| 1.- oi | avoid, oil, moist, join |
| 2.- oy | enjoy, toy, employ, royal |



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