

Phonic Knowledge: The Essentials

Handout 3: Phoneme Articulation

Unvoiced		✓
/p/	as in 'pin'	
/t/	as in 'top'	
/k/	as in 'key'	
/ch/	as in 'chip'	
/f/	as in 'fish'	
/th/	as in 'thin'	
/s/	as in 'sun'	
/sh/	as in 'ship'	
/h/	as in 'hat'	

Voiced		✓
/r/	as in 'run'	
/l/	as in 'lip'	

Voiced with a small schwa		✓
/b/	as in 'boy'	
/d/	as in 'dog'	
/g/	as in 'go'	
/j/	as in 'jet'	

Buzzing		✓
/v/	as in 'van'	
/th/	as in 'that'	
/z/	as in 'zip'	
/zh/	as in 'vision'	

Nasal		✓
/m/	as in 'man'	
/n/	as in 'nut'	
/ng/	as in 'ring'	

Vowel		✓
/a/	as in 'sat'	
/i/	as in 'pit'	
/e/	as in 'pet'	
/o/	as in 'on'	
/u/	as in 'up'	
/ai/	as in 'aim'	
/ee/	as in 'eel'	
/igh/	as in 'high'	
/oa/	as in 'oak'	
/ur/	as in 'fur'	
/oo/ long	as in 'zoo'	
/oo/ short	as in 'book'	
/ou/	as in 'out'	
/oi/	as in 'oil'	
/or/	as in 'for'	
/ar/	as in 'arm'	
/air/	as in 'air'	
/ear/	as in 'ear'	
/ure/	as in 'cure'	

Schwa	
/ə/	as in 'flower'

You can use the Bug Club Phonic Sound Board to help:

<https://www.pearsonschoolsandfecolleges.co.uk/asset-library/interactive/primary/bugclub/alphabet/index.htm>

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