

# Phonetic Codes for British English

## Lexical Stress and Pacing

Lexical Stress	Description
1	Indicates primary word stress
2	Indicates secondary word stress
?	Glottal stop - Separates two words when the second word starts with a stressed vowel
_	Generates a small pause

## Phonetics Codes for British English: Consonants

Word	Code for Sound	Example
bad	b	b {1 d
stop tomorrow	t	s t Q1 p t @ m Q1 r @U
top	t_h	t_h Q1 p
sport potato	p	s p O:1 t p @ t_h e1 t @U
pad	p_h	p_h {1 d
date	d	d {1 t
scone campaign	k	s k Q1 n k { m p_h e1 n
cone	k_h	k_h @U1 n
gag	g	g {1 g
man	m	m {1 n
nose	n	n @U1 z
rose	r	r @U1 z
let	l	l e1 t
adult	L	{1 d V L t
ring	N	r l1 N

Word	Code for Sound	Example
fat	f	f {1 t
vote	v	v @U1 t
sat	s	s {1 t
zoo	z	z u:1
shin	S	S l1 n
chin	tS	tS l1 n
measure	Z	m e1 Z @
gin	dZ	dZ l1 n
this	D	D l1 s
thin	T	T l1 n
wait	w	w el1 t
yacht	j	j Q1 t
hit	h	h l1 t
exhume	hj	e k s hj u:1 m
Llandaff	hl	hl {1 n d @ f
loch	x	l Q1 x

### Phonetics Codes for British English: Vowels

Word	Code for Sound	Example	Comment
father	A:	f A:1 D @	
four	O:	f O:1	
bit	l	b l1 t	
neat	i:	n i:1 t	
zoo	u:	z u:1	
hut	V	h V1 t	
put	U	p_h U1 t	
pat	{	p_h {1 t	

Word	Code for Sound	Example	Comment
net	e	n e1 t	
allow	@	@ l aU1	
main	eI	m eI1 n	
high	aI	h aI1	
boy	OI	b OI1	
nose	@U	n @U1 z	
pout	aU	p_h aU1 t	
fur	3:	f 3:1	
dot	Q	d Q1 t	
near	I@	n I@1	
there	e@	D e@1	
sure	U@	S U@1	
locally	i	I @U1 k @ I i	
punctual	u	p_h V1 N k tS u @ L	
renaissance	A~	r e n eI1 s A~ s	French vowel
vin	E~	v E~1	French vowel
avignon	O~	{1 v i n j O~	French vowel
battleaxe	I=	b {1 t I= { k s	only before vowels
battle	L=	b {1 t L=	word finally or before consonants
atheism	m=	eI1 T i l z m=	
sudden	n=	s V1 d n=	
history	r=	h I1 s t r= i	