

# Phonetic Codes for Finnish

## Lexical Accent and Pacing

Lexical Accent	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
Word boundary gemination	Refers to a phenomenon which occurs at word boundaries

## Phonetics Codes for Finnish: Consonants

Sound	Code for the sound	Example	
bussi	b	b u1 ss i	
talo	t	t A1 l O	
pele	p	p e1 l i	
data	d	d A1 t A	
kala	k	k A1 l A	
gaala	g	g A:1 l A	
mato	m	m A1 t O	
nenä	n	n e1 n {	
retki	r	r e1 t k i	
latu	l	l A1 t u	
henki	N	h e1 N k i	
firma	f	f i1 r m A	
veli	v	v e1 l i	
sata	s	s A1 t A	
šakki	S	S A1 k k i	
azeri	z	A1 z e r i	
joki	j	j O1 k i	
hattu	h	h A1 t t u	
junk	dZ	dZ A1 n k	English phoneme

Sound	Code for the sound	Example	
this	D	D l1 s	English phoneme
thin	T	T l1 n	English phoneme
sweet	w	s w i:1 t	English phoneme
rabbi	bb	r A1 bb i	
hattu	tt	h A1 tt u	
keppi	pp	k e1 pp i	
addikti	dd	A1 dd i k t i	
kukka	kk	k u1 kk A	
suggestio	gg	s u1 gg e s t i2 O	
summa	mm	s u1 mm A	
kannas	nn	k A1 nn A s	
parras	rr	p A1 rr A s	
nolla	ll	n O1 ll A	
hengen	NN	h e1 NN e n	
leffa	ff	l e1 ff A	
kassa	ss	k A1 ss A	
pasha	SS	p A1 SS A	
hihhuli	hh	h i1 hh u l i	
hernevati	vv	k e1 r n e vv A2 t i	very rare
perhejoulu	jj	p e1 r h e jj Ou2 l u	product of assimilation
ahdas	x	A1 x d A s	product of assimilation
yhden	C	y1 C d e n	
auvo	W	Au1 W O	

### Phonetics Codes for Finnish: Vowels

Sound	Code for the sound	Example	
isä	I	i1 s {	Short vowel
tyttö	Y	t y1 tt &	Short vowel
pele	E	p E1 l i	Short vowel
tölli	&	t &1 ll i	Short vowel

Sound	Code for the sound	Example	
sänky	{	s {1 N k y	Short vowel
tuttu	U	t u1 tt u	Short vowel
orsi	O	O1 r s i	Short vowel
pato	A	p A1 t O	Short vowel
siili	i:	s i:1 l i	Long vowel
tyyli	y:	t y:1 l i	Long vowel
geeni	e:	g e:1 n i	Long vowel
älkööt	&:	{1 l k &: t	Long vowel
jää	{:	j {:1	Long vowel
paluu	u:	p A1 l u:	Long vowel
rooli	O:	r O:1 l i	Long vowel
laavu	A:	l A:1 v u	Long vowel
laiva	Ai	l Ai1 v A	Diphthong
leipä	Ei	l ei1 p {	Diphthong
voi	Oi	v Oi1	Diphthong
luiska	Ui	l ui1 s k A	Diphthong
päivä	{i	p {i1 v {	Diphthong
söi	&i	s &i1	Diphthong
lyijy	Yi	l yi1 j y	Diphthong
taulu	Au	t Au1 l u	Diphthong
koulu	Ou	k Ou1 l u	Diphthong
neula	Eu	n eu1 l A	Diphthong
kiulu	Iu	k iu1 l u	Diphthong
käydä	{y	K {y1 d {	Diphthong
köysi	&y	k &y1 s i	Diphthong
yhteys	Ey	y1 C t ey s	Diphthong
siistiytyä	Iy	s i:1 s t iy t y2 {	Diphthong
kieli	Ie	k ie1 l i	Diphthong

Sound	Code for the sound	Example	
tuoli	uO	t uO1 l i	Diphthong
työ	y&	t y&1	Diphthong