

Vowels	All	In English, vowels (a, e, i, o and u) have more than one sound. In Spanish, they are pronounced the same way each time.	ah, eh, ee, oh, oo
	A	In Spanish, the vowel 'a' makes an 'ah' sound.	araña
	E	In Spanish, the vowel 'e' makes an 'eh' sound.	elefante
	E	'e' at the end of words is pronounced like 'eh'. It sounds like an 'ay'.	tiene
	I	In Spanish, the vowel 'i' makes an 'ee' sound.	isla
	O	In Spanish, the vowel 'o' makes an 'oh' sound.	once
	U	In Spanish, the vowel 'u' makes an 'oo' sound.	uno
	U	'u' is always silent after the letter 'q' like in 'quiero'.	quiero
	U	Sometimes a 'u' is silent, after a 'g' and followed by an 'e' or 'i'.	guitarra
Consonants	C	'c' (when followed by 'e' or 'i') is a 'th' sound.	cero
	C	The letter 'c' makes a hard 'k' sound before an 'a', 'o' and 'u'.	casa/coche
	G	The letter 'g' makes a hard 'g' sound before 'a' and 'o' and 'u'.	gato/me gusta
	G	The letter 'g' makes a soft 'j' sound before 'e' and 'i'.	gemelo/gimnasia
	H	The 'h' is always silent in Spanish.	hola
	J	'j' is a sound at the back of a throat and can sound a little like an English 'h'.	jardín
	LL	'll' is pronounced like an English 'y'.	me llamo
	Ñ	'ñ' is pronounced 'ny' like in the English word 'canyon'.	español
	Qu	'qu' is pronounced as a 'k' sound.	quiero
	RR	'rr' is a rolled sound.	perro
	Ü	Sometimes a 'u' that is after a 'g' and followed by an 'e' or 'i' will look like 'ü'. This tells you that you have to pronounce it.	bilingüe
	V	'v' is pronounced more like a 'b' sound.	veinte
	Y	In English, the consonant 'y' is often used like a vowel. In Spanish, it is only used as a consonant.	boyar
	Z	'z' is a 'th' sound.	zumo
Accents	´	Accents help you to say the word and show where the stress needs to go within it, like 'música'.	música
	´	All accents in Spanish point the same way and are only found on vowels: á, é, í, ó and ú.	té
	´	It's useful to learn where accents go, because it can change the meaning: él = he and el = the	él = he and el = the sí yes si if
General	1	A phoneme is the smallest unit of sound that can be identified in words When you put different sounds together, they make words.	Z-u-m-o
	2	There are many letters which sound the same in Spanish and in English, but there are differences too.	e.g. z is different
	3	Cognates are words in another language, that look similar to English, but are pronounced differently (idea and idea).	idea/idea
	4	There are not as many exception words in Spanish compared to in English.	Y spelt with a y