

Spanish Alphabet

Pronunciation Guide

a	ah *
b	beh
c	seh
ch	chay
d	deh
e	eh *
f	eh-feh
g	hay
h	ah-chay
i	eee *
j	ho-tah
k	kah
l	eh-lay
ll	eh-yay
m	eh-may
n	eh-nay
ñ	eh-nyay
o	oh *
p	peh
q	coo
r	eh-ray
s	eh-say
t	teh
u	ooh *
v	veh (beh)
w	do-blay veh (beh)
x	eh-kees
y	ee-gree-ay-ga (i griega)
z	seh-tah

* **vowels** (same letters as English but pronounced differently)

Gender

Every Spanish noun has a specific gender, either masculine or feminine. Masculine nouns generally end with the letter "o" and feminine nouns generally end with the letter "a". (*There are exceptions.*)

Definite & Indefinite Articles

The definite articles for "the" (*el, la, los, las*) and the indefinite articles for "a" (*un, una, unos, unas*) need to agree in gender with their respective nouns.

Stress/Emphasis

Normally, the last syllable of a word is emphasized when the word ends in a consonant (except for an n or an s).

When the last syllable ends in n, s, or a vowel, the next-to-the-last syllable receives the emphasis.

Some Spanish words do not follow the above rules. These words indicate where to place the emphasis by using an accent mark over the vowel in the emphasized syllable.