

# El alfabeto

Letter	Letter Name in Spanish	Letter Pronunciation	Sound Letter Makes/Notes
a	a	ah	ah
b	be	bay	as in bank
c	ce	say	ce,ci = s sound *in Spain, this sound is th ca,co,cu = k sound
ch	che	chay	as in chew
d	de	day	as in dig
e	e	aay	The vowels in Spanish only have one sound unlike English. The e sounds like the ay of day and clay.
f	efe	effay	as in food
g	ge	hay	ge,gi = h sound ga,go,gu = hard g sound as in good gü = gwuh
h	hache	ahchay	the h is always silent in Spanish
i	i	eee	sounds like long e as in meet or clean
j	jota	hotah	sounds like the English h as in hat
k	ka	cah	as in key
l	ele	ellay	as in lamp
ll	elle	ayyay	sounds like y (may sound like zja in some regions)
m	eme	emmay	as in may
n	ene	ennay	as in night
ñ	eñe	enyay	sounds like 'gna' as in lasagna
o	o	oh	sounds like oh as in oak
p	pe	pay	as in paper
q	cu	coo	sounds like c as in cool
r	ere	airray	as in brick, but at the beginning of a word, the r is pronounced as the rolling rr
rr	erre	airrray	a rolling rr sound (This sound CAN be learned with practice)
s	ese	esssay	as in snake
t	te	tay	as in top
u	u	oooh	sounds like the oo of cool or the ui of fruit
v	ve	bay	the b and v sound the same in Spanish
w	doble ve	doughblay bay	as in water (not an original Spanish letter; only found in borrowed words from other languages)
x	equis	aykeese	sounds like English h
y	ye (i griega)	eee greeaygah	as in yellow
z	zeta	saytah	sounds like English s *in Spain, this sound is th