

PHONEMES-AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

EXAMPLES

/p/	p	/m/	m	/f/	f	a	Alimami	man's name
/b/	b	/n/	n	/s/	s	b	barabara	porridge
/t/	t	/ɲ/	ny	/l/	l	c	caro	to slice
/d/	d	/ŋ/	ŋ	/r/	r	d	dawa	ink
/tʃ/	c			/h/	h	e	tele	to ask
/dʒ/	j			/x/	x	è	pèdè	outside
/k/	k			/w/	w	f	fiè	love
/g/	g			/y/	y	g	gay	west
						h	hinè	power, possibility
/i/	i	/a/	a	/u/	u	i	pin	black
/e/	e			/o/	o	j	jènè	bow-net
/ɛ/	è			/ɔ/	ò	k	kamu	wing
						l	la	mouth
						m	mun	nose
						n	namu	knife
						ny	nyɲi	to walk
						ŋ	ŋòŋòŋ	slave
						o	polo	lobby
						ò	pòdè	piece
						p	palu	donkey
						r	saro	frog
						s	sala	canal
						t	tori	nine
						u	xulu	canoe
						w	way	today
						x	xalu	man
						y	yalo	woman

ALPHABET

a b c d e è f g h i j k l m n ny ŋ o ò p r s t u w
x y

number of graphemes 27

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