

## The Most Frequent Spellings of the 44 Sounds of English

1. /b/            b (97%),    bb
2. /d/            d (98%),    dd, ed
3. /f/            f (78%),    ff, ph, if
4. /g/            g (88%),    gg, gh
5. /h/            h (98%),    wh
6. /j/            g (66%),    j (22%),    dg
7. /k/            c (73%),    cc, k (13%), ck, lk, q
8. /l/            l (91%),    ll
9. /m/            m (94%),    mm
10. /n/           n (97%),    nn, kn, gn
11. /p/           p (96%),    pp
12. /r/           r (97%),    rr, wr
13. /s/           s (73%),    c (17%),    ss
14. /t/           t (97%),    tt, ed
15. /v/           v (99%),    f (of)
16. /w/           w (92%)
17. /y/           y (44%),    i (55%)
18. /z/           z (23%),    zz, s (64%)
19. /ch/          ch (55%),    t (31%)
20. /sh/          sh (26%),    ti (53%),    ssi, s, si, sci
21. /th/          th (100%)
22. /th/          th (100%)

23. /hw/	wh (100%)
24. /zh/	si (49%), s (33%), ss z
25. /ng/	n (41%), ng (59%)
26. /a/	a (96%)
27. /e/	e (91%), ea, e-e (15%)
28. /i/	i (66%), y (23%)
29. /o/	o (79%)
30. /u/	u (86%), o, ou
31. /ā/	a (45%), a-e (35%), ai, ay, ae
32. /ē/	e (70%), y, ea (10%), ee (10%), ie, e-e, ey, I, ei
33. /ī/	i-e (37%), i (37%), igh, y (14%), ie, y-e
34. /ō/	o (73%), o-e (14%), ow, oa, oe
35. ōō	u (60%), u-e (22%), ew, ue
36. /ə/	a 924%), e (13%), i (22%), o (27%), u
37. /ōō/	oo (38%), u (21%), o, ou, u-e, ew, ue
38. /ōō/	oo (31%), u (54%), ou, o (8%), ould
39. /ou/	ou (56%), ow (29%)
40. /oi/	oi (62%), oy (32%)
41. /ô/	o, a, au, aw, ough, augh
42. /û/	er (40%), ir (13%), ur (26%)
43. /â/	a (29%), are (23%), air (21%)
44. /ä/	a (89%)