

## International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) Pronunciation Guide

### Vowels

- a** short as in French *carte*
- a:** long as in *father*
- ɛ** short as in *let*
- e:** long as in *day* (no off-glide)
- ə** unstressed as the 'a' in *ago*
- i** short as in *hit*
- i:** long as in *meat*
- ɔ** short as in *coffee*
- o:** long as in *go* (no off-glide)
- œ:** long; say **e:** with rounded lips
- u** short as in *book*
- u:** long as in *boot*
- y** short; say **i** with rounded lips
- y:** long; say **i:** with rounded lips
- ai** as in *find*
- ɔy** as in *boy*

**au** as in *house*

### Consonants

- ç** say the 'h' in Hugo
- x** say 'a' and lift the back of the tongue  
don't close off the air.
- j** as the 'y' in *year*
- ŋ** as in *sing*
- r:** in singing use *apical r* (one frontal flip)
- ʃ** as in *ship*