

THE **VOWELS** ARE:

A, E, I, O, U

SOMETIMES W

SOMETIMES Y

ALL OTHER LETTERS

ARE CALLED

CONSONANTS

A **SYLLABLE** IS THE

SMALLEST PART OF A

WORD YOU CAN SAY

WITHOUT A BREAK:

CAR-PET, CON-SO-

NANT, CAL-I-FOR-NI-A

CONSONANTS

USUALLY ONLY MAKE

ONE SOUND

SPACE SAVER LETTERS

ARE PLACED BETWEEN

TWO VOWELS TO KEEP

THE SECOND VOWEL

FROM MAKING THE

FIRST VOWEL LONG

WHISPERED

CONSONANTS ARE:

F, H, K, P, T, X

E CLOSE BEHIND
ANOTHER VOWEL,
WITH NO MORE THAN ONE
LETTER IN BETWEEN,
USUALLY MAKES THE
FIRST VOWEL LONG
AND THE E IS USUALLY
SILENT

TWO VOWELS GO
WALKING, USUALLY
THE FIRST ONE DOES
THE TALKING AND THE
SECOND IS USUALLY
SILENT

SPACE SAVER U IS
PLACED AFTER G TO
KEEP IT APART FROM
E, I, OR Y SO IT CAN
MAKE ITS 'GUH'
SOUND: GUY, GUIDE,
GUITAR

C COPIES S WHEN
FOLLOWED BY E, I, OR
Y; OTHERWISE IT
MAKES IT'S OWN 'K'
SOUND:
ICE, FACING, LACY

G BEFORE E, I, OR Y
usually COPIES J;
OTHERWISE IT MAKES
ITS OWN 'GUH'
SOUND: AGE, NUDGE

GH IS A VOWEL TEAM:
'OUGH' SAYS O
'EIGH' SAYS A
'IGH' SAYS I

Y AT THE BEGINNING

OF A WORD SAYS
'YUH' AS IN: YET, YELL

Y MID-SYLLABLE

COPIES SHORT I AS IN:
LYNN, PYRAMID

IF IT COMES AFTER A
CONSONANT AND IF THERE

IS A VOWEL **Y AT THE**
END OF THE WORD
USUALLY COPIES LONG
E AS IN: BABY, FUNNY

IF IT IS THE ONLY VOWEL IN
THE WORD

Y AT THE END OF A
WORD COPIES LONG I
AS IN: MY, TRY, FLY

LONELY Y COPIES
SHORT U WHEN
ACTING AS ITS OWN
SYLLABLE: BABYLON,
PLATYPUS, PARALYSIS

W BEFORE R AT THE
BEGINNING OF A
WORD IS ALWAYS
SILENT: WREN, WRITE

W AT THE BEGINNING

OF A WORD MAKES ITS
CONSONANT SOUND:
WET, WIN, WON

W AT THE END OF A

WORD IS A VOWEL
AND IS USUALLY
SILENT: SAW, WOW,
BLOW, MEW