

DER ALEF-BEYS - THE YIDDISH ALPHABET

Printed letter	Name	Sound	Written form	
א	shtumer alef	silent	א	
אֲ	pasekh alef	[a] as in <u>a</u> pple	אֲ	
אָ	komets alef	[o] as in <u>o</u> ranger	אָ	
ב	beys	[b] as in <u>b</u> aby	ב	
בֵּ	veys	[v] as in <u>v</u> iolin	בֵּ	
ג	giml	[g] as in <u>g</u> irl	ג	
ד	daled	[d] as in <u>d</u> ad	ד	
ה	hey	[h] as in <u>h</u> at	ה	
ו	vov	[u] as in <u>o</u> ops	ו	וּ tsvey vovn [v] as in <u>v</u> iolin
				וֹ vov yud [oy] as in <u>bo</u> y
ז	zayen	[z] as in <u>z</u> oo	ז	
ח	khes	[kh] as in <u>kh</u> allah	ח	
ט	tes	[t] as in <u>t</u> ea	ט	
י	yud	[i] as in <u>i</u> gloo	י	יֵ tsvey yudn [ey] as in <u>h</u> ay
		[y] as in <u>y</u> ellow		יֵּ pasekh tsvey yuden [ay] as in <u>ic</u> e