

Eastside Literacy Tutor Support
Student Handout -**Telephone Spelling**

It is often difficult to hear and understand letters when someone is spelling aloud in English, especially over the telephone. It is helpful to use phonetic alphabets to clarify what you are saying or hearing.

Examples:

Explaining: "My name is Kei—**K** as in king, **E** as in Edward; **I** as in Ida."

Clarifying: "Did you mean **B** as in baker or **D** as in David?"

Two commonly used Phonetic Alphabets

Alpha	Adam
Bravo	Baker
Charlie	Charlie
Delta	David
Echo	Edward
Foxtrot	Frank
Golf	George
Hotel	Henry
India	Ida
Juliet	John
Kilo	King
Lima	Lewis
Mike	Mary
November	Nancy
Oscar	Otto
Papa	Peter
Quebec	Queen
Romeo	Robert
Sierra	Susan
Tango	Thomas
Uniform	Union
Victor	Victor
Whiskey	William
X-ray	X-ray
Yankee	Young
Zulu	Zebra