

El abecedario

The Spanish alphabet

Aa a · ah abuela grandma	Bb be · beh boca mouth	Cc ce · seh casa house	Dd de · deh dedo finger	Ee e · eh elefante elephant	Ff efe · EH-feh fresa strawberry
Gg ge · heh gato cat	Hh hache · AH-cheh hola hello	Ii i · ee isla island	Jj jota · HO-ta jugo juice	Kk ka · kah kiwi kiwi	Ll ele · EH-leh luna moon
Mm eme · EH-meh mamá mom	Nn ene · EH-neh nariz nose	Ññ eñe · EH-nyeh ñandú rhea (a big bird)	Oo o · oh oveja sheep	Pp pe · peh pato duck	Qq cu · koo queso cheese
Rr erre · EH-rreh rojo red	Ss ese · EH-seh sol sun	Tt te · teh tortuga turtle	Uu u · oo uva grape	Vv uve · OO-beh vaca cow	Ww doble uve · DOH-bleh OO-beh waffle waffle
Xx equis · EH-kees taxi taxi	Yy ye (i'griega) · yeh yogur yogurt	Zz zeta · SEH-ta zapatos shoes	ch like English ch chocolate chocolate	ll like the y in yes: YOO-bya lluvia rain	rr a long rolled r perro dog

27 letters: a to z plus ñ. Ch and ll are pairs of letters, not separate letters.

Ll and y sound like the y in yes: lluvia is YOO-bya, yogur is yo-GOOR.

B and v sound the same. Their names are be and uve (many speakers also say ve).

¿Con qué letra empieza gato? ¿Con la ge!

What letter does gato start with? With g!