

A Rough Guide to English Letter 'g'

Relax, always /g/

Mostly /g/

Look carefully at these

Mostly /dʒ/

Relax, always /dʒ/

'-gg-'
a.ggression
bagg.age
Greggs

'gl-' 'gr-'
glass
green
en.grave

'-g' (final)
fig
leg.less
zig.zag

'-gu-'
guest
lan.guage
coll.eague

***'gh-'**
ghee
yogh.urt
Af.ghan.i.st

*Silent /g/
'-gn-' as /n/
gnome
a.ssign.ment
cam.paign

*'-gh'
(final) as /f/
laugh
*'-igh-' is silent
light
neigh.bour

'g-d/t'
good
get
for.get

'g-b/bb/p'
gob/gob.less
gap/gap.less
Gabb.y

'g-g'
gig
gang
gig.a.byte

'g-v'
give
gov.ern
for.give

'g-s/z'
gas
gaze
Au.gust

'g-sh'
gash
gush.ing

'g-ll'
gall
gall.op
sea.gull

'g-th'
girth
goth.ic

With Vowels
Sounds

ga- to.ga
gu- gust

gai- bar.gain
gar- gar.ment
go- em.bar.go

goo- goo.fy
gear- head.gear

gou- gou.da
gou- night.goun

goy- gar.goyle
gir- girth
gor- gor.ey

'-n.go'
man.go
bin.go
mon.goose

*Across 2
Syllables

'-g.m-' '-g.n-'
pig.ment
ig.nore

'g-m/n'
gam.ma
be.gin

'gig-'
gig.a.byte

'al.g-'
al.gae
al.go.rith.m

***'-ng(er)'**
bang - banger
sting - stinger
ang.ry - anger

'-gle'
an.gle
ban.gle
min.gle

'gir-'
girth

'g-m/n'
Ge.mi.ma
gin.ger

'gi.g-'
gi.gan.tic

'al.g-'
al.ge.bra
Al.ge.ri.a

'-.ge(r)'
strange - stran.ger
man.age - mana.ger

'-gel-' '-geal'
'-gest-'
an.gel
gel.a.tine
con.geal
di.gest

'gi.r-'
gi.ro

'-ege' '-age-'
page
coll.ege
stor.ages

'ger-'
germ
gin.ger
tan.ger.ine

'-ar.get'
tar.get
tar.get.ed

'-arge'
re.charge

'-nge'
sponge
o.range
a.rrange.ment

'-arge'
barge
re.charge.ing
en.large

With Vowel
Sounds

'gi-'
gi.ant
en.gine
gi.gan.tic

'gem/n-'
gem
gents/gen.tle.man
gen/gen.e.ra.tion

'gy-'
gym/gym.na.si.um
gy.p.sy
gy.ro.scope

'ge.o-'
ge.o.gra.phy
ge.o.me.try

'-gio' (n/ous)
re.gion
le.gionn.aire
re.li.gion/re.li.gious

'-dg'
badge
fledge.ling
judge

Watch the root word

Watch the syllable boundary

*'-ng' is usually quite soft, but in some words like 'angry', 'anger' and 'finger' the /g/ sound can be quite strong.

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