

Sounds of letter A are blue, Sounds of letter E are green, Sounds of letter I are yellow, Sounds of letter O are red and Sounds of letter U are purple

A

a	အံ	a b l e	long a /eɪ/IPA
		'အံ - b l *	
a	@	a t	short a /æ/IPA <u>not in Karen</u>
<u>a borrows</u>		@ t	
	အဲ	a i r	short e /ɛ/IPA/
		အဲ * ရ	
I	အိ	i m a g e	short i /ɪ/IPA <u>not in Karen</u>
		Im - I g *	
	အို	a l l	/ɔ/IPA the British short o
		အို l *	
	အါ	a r m	short o /a or ɑ/IPA
		အါ r m	a in Karen, ɑ in English
	အု	a b o u t	short u /ə and ʌ/IPA
		အု - b အု အု t	ʌ in stressed syllable

E

e ɔ̃
 b e
 b ɔ̃

long e /i/IPA

e ɔ̃
 m e t
 m ɔ̃ t
 borrowed by ● ●

short e /ɛ and e/IPA

/e/IPA is more British

e borrows

I p r e t t y
 p r I t - t ɔ̃

short i /ɪ/IPA not in Karen

ʌ a n t h e m
 @ n - t h ʌ m

short u /ə and ʌ/IPA

ʌ in stressed syllable

i i
 i c e
 i s *

long i /aɪ/IPA not in Karen

i I
 i s
 I z
 borrowed by ● ●

short i /ɪ/IPA not in Karen

O

o အိ o p e n
 အိ - p I n

long o /oʊ/IPA

/əʊ/IPA used by the British

o အီ p o t
 p အီ t
 borrowed by ●

short o /a or ɑ/IPA

a is Karen, ɑ is English

sometimes /ɒ/IPA by the British

o အိ d o g
 d အိ g
 borrowed by ●

open o /ɔ/IPA

also called British short o

o borrows

အ o n i o n
 'အ n - I အ n
 Λ ə

/ə and ʌ/IPA

ʌ in stressed syllable

အ
IL t o o
 t အ
 IL

/ʉ or u/IPA

ʉ in Karen, u in English

အဝ b o o k
 ဝ အဝ k

/ə and ɵ, or ʊ/IPA

ə and ɵ in Karen, ʊ in English

U

u u u s u a l long u /ju:/IPA not in Karen
 u 3 - u - ə l

u ə u p short u /ə and ʌ/IPA
 ʌ p
 borrowed by ● ● ●
 ʌ in stressed syllable

u ə̣ b l u e /ɸ or u/IPA
 b l ə̣ *
 borrowed by ● ɸ in Karen, u in English

u ə̣1 p u t / ə and ɵ, or ʊ/IPA
 p ə̣1 t ə and ɵ in Karen, ʊ in English
 borrowed by ●

u borrows

ə̣ b u r y short e /ɛ/IPA
 b ə̣ - r ə̣

I m i n u t e short i /ɪ/IPA not in Karen
 m I n - I t *

