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Printed letter	Name	Transcription	Pronounced as
А, а	a	a	a: in balm
Б, б	be	b	b in boy
В, в	ve	v before vowels, w before consonants and in the end of words	v in vase , w in will
Г, г	he	h	a bit like [h] in house .
Ґ, ґ	ge	g (rare in Ukrainian.)	g in gas
Д, д	de	d	d in dog
Е, е	e	e	e in best
Є, є	ye	ye	ye in yes
Ж, ж	zhe	zh	zh in pleasure
З, з	ze	z	z in zest
И, и	y	y	y in sit
І, і	i	i	i in wheat , seen
Ї, ї	yi	yi	yi in yeast
Й, й	yo	y before vowel; short i before consonants and in the end of words	y in York ; short i in my , I .
К, к	ka	k	k in sky
Л, л	el	l	l in lesson
М, м	em	m	m in May
Н, н	en	n	n in note
О, о	o	o	o: in hot
П, п	pe	p	p in sport
Р, р	er	r	r (rolled)
С, с	es	s	s in class
Т, т	te	t	t in top
У, у	u	u	u: in book
Ф, ф	ef	f	f in festival
Х, х	kha	kh	kh as in Scottish loch
Ц, ц	tse	ts	ts in cats
Ч, ч	che	ch	ch in chair
Ш, ш	sha	sh	sh in shout
Щ, щ	shcha	shch	shch in parish church

Ь	miakyi znak – soft sign	–	soft sign ‘softens’ previous consonant
Ю, ю	yu	yu or u	yu in Ukraine, u in Luke
Я, я	ya	ya or a	ya yak