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letter	name	pronunciation		notes
		<u>IPA</u>	English approximation	
a	'ā	/a/, /ɑ:/	a: opera, ā: father	
e	'ē	/e/, /e:/	e: late, ē: same but longer	
f	fā	/f/	friend	becomes bilabial [ɸ] after o and u
h	hē	/h/	house	becomes [ʃ] (as in English shoe) after i and before o or u
i	'ī	/i/, /i:/	as in machine	may become diphthong ai in some words like rahi
m	mō	/m/	mouse	
n	nū	/n/	nap	
o	'ō	/ɔ/, /o:/	o: nought, ō: same but longer	
p	pī	/p/	sponge (not aspirated)	
r	rō	/r/	-	<u>alveolar trill</u>
t	tī	/t/	stand (not aspirated)	
u	'ū	/u/, /u:/	u: foot, ū: moo	strong lip rounding
v	vī	/v/	vine	becomes bilabial ([β]) after o and u
'	'eta	/ʔ/	uh-oh	<u>glottal stop</u> beginning each syllable