# LING 60 • How Reading Works

 Preparation for class discussion on Th Aug 29

- Use the IPA symbols for consonants and vowels
  (introduced last class) to transcribe how the names of
  letters of the alphabet are pronounced
  - The first one is done for you: B = [bi]
- Why do this?
  - The name of each alphabet letter is a word of English itself → practice transcribing these (usually very short) words in IPA
  - Then we can think about ways in which the names of the letters in English do/don't help as clues to the sounds they are used to spell

- After transcribing the letter names in each group, consider these questions:
  - Does the letter's **name** serve as a good example of the letter's **sound**?
  - What is the **relationship** between letter names and letter sounds in each group?

What is the name of each of these letters (use IPA)?

В	[ bi ]	V
D		Z
J		C
K		G
P		
T		Q

- How do the names of these letters relate to the **sounds** that they (can) spell?

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