

Our Star-Spangled Story

Pronunciation Guide

Hyphens divide words into syllables. Emphasize syllables written in all capital letters.

Pronounce vowels with a line over them as long vowels:

ā as in acorn, ē as in evil, ī as in ice, ō as in over, ū as in flute.

Pronounce vowels with a curl over them as short vowels:

ă as in apple, ě as in elementary, ĭ as in idiom, ǒ as in on, ŭ as in under.

Abenaki, ă-ben-AH-key

Acoma, ă-CO-ma

Adirondack Mountains, ă-dĭ-**RON**-dack

Algonquian, ăl-GONE-kwē-un

Anasazi, AH-nah-SAH-zē

Aniyunwiya, ă-nee-yuh-wee-YUH

Bandelier, band-ah-LEER

Beringia, bĕ-RIN-gee-uh

Boucher, Pierre, pē-YAIR boo-SHAY

Cameahwait, cah-ME-uh-wait

Carnegie, (Andrew), car-NAY-gĕ

Cartier, Jacques, zhock cart-YAY

Cayuga, kay-YOU-guh

Champlain, (Samuel de), sham-PLAIN

Charbonneau, Jean Baptiste,

zhawn bap-TEEST SHAW-boo-nō

Charbonneau, Toussaint,

TOO-săhn SHAW-boo-nō

Chile (country), CHEE-lay

Chukchi (Peninsula), CHOOK-chee

Claesen, Pieter, Peter CLAY-sen

Clerc, Laurent, LOH-rawn clair

conquistador, cone-key-stah-DOOR

Duquesne (Fort), doo-CANE

Fuchs, (Anna), fyooks

Gallaudet, (Thomas), gal-uh-DET

Genoa, GIN-ō-uh

Ghigooie, chee-GOO-ē

Gorbachev, Mikhail, mĭk-hĭ-EL GOR-
buh-chof

Haudenosaunee, hō-den-ō-SHOW-nee

Hispaniola, hĭ-spun-YO-la

Huron, HYUR-un

Inupash, IN-ū-pash

Iroquois, EAR-uh-quoy

Izac, Eduoard, Edward Isaac

Joliet, Louis, LOO-wee jō-lee-ET

Kapiolani, kuh-pee-oh-LUH-nee

kiva, KEE-vuh

L'Enfant, (Pierre Charles), LAWN-font

La Dauphine, lah daw-FEEN

La Salle, Rene-Robert Cavalier de,

reh-nay row-BEAR că-vŭ-LEER day

luh SAL

Liliuokalani, lee-lee-oo-oh-kuh-LUH-nee

Louis (French king), LOO-wee

Lusitania, loo-sĭ-TAY-nee-uh

Lyncoya, lin-COY-yah

Manzanar, MAN-zuh-nar

Marquette, Jacques, zhock mar-KET

Massasoit, mass-uh-SOYT

Mesa Verde, MAY-suh VAIR-day

Monticello, mont-ĭ-CHELL-ō

Montpelier, mont-PEEL-yer

Muhlenberg, (Henry), MYOU-len-berg
Newfoundland, NEW-fund-lund
Nez Perce, nez purse
Niña, NEEN-ya
Nonantum, nō-NAN-tum
Oglethorpe, (James), OH-gul-thorpe
Oneida, oh-NIGH-duh
Onondaga, aw-nun-DAW-guh
Patuxet, paw-TUX-it
Peerson, Cleng, klěng PEER-son
Pele, PAY-lay
Pinta, PEEN-tah
Ponkapoag, PONK-uh-pawg
Potomac, puh-TOE-muck
Pueblo Bonito,
PWEH-blow bow-NEE-tow
Puebloan, pweh-BLOW-un
Quatie, KWAY-tee
Quaynant, QWAY-nant
Quebec, kuh-BECK
Restoration (ship),
rest-or-rot-see-OWN
Ross, Quatie, KWAY-tee Ross
Sac and Fox, söck and fõx
Sacagawea, sah-KAH-gah-WEE-ah
San Jacinto, sǎn juh-SIN-tow
Schoharie (Valley), skō-HAIR-ee
Seneca, SEN-ĭ-ka
Sequoyah, seh-QUOY-uh
Shikellamy, shĭ-KELL-ah-mee

Shoshone, shuh-SHOW-nee
Syllabary, SILL-a-berry
Tahlequah, TAH-lĭ-kwah
Takawambpait, (Daniel),
tack-uh-WAM-pate
Taliaferro, (Booker Taliaferro
Washington), TAWL-ĭ-ver
Tecumseh, teh-COME-see
Tientsin, tyin-tsin
Tomochichi, tah-mo-CHEE-chee
Tong Shao-yi, TONG show-YEE (like
shower)
Tooloogigra, too-LOO-gee-grah
Tuscarora, tuss-cuh-ROAR-uh
Tuskegee Institute, tus-KEY-gē
Verrazzano, (Giovanni da),
vair-ah-ZAN-no
Vincennes, (Indiana), vĭn-SINS
Waban, WAH-bahn
Wampanoag, WAHM-paw-nawg
Webukside, we-BUK-see-day
Weippe, WE-ĭp
Weiser, (Conrad), WY-zer
Worcester, (Samuel), WUH-stir
Wyckoff, Pieter Claesen, Peter CLAY-sĕn
WHY-koff
Yamacraw, YAH-mah-craw
Yoncalla Kalapuya,
yon-CAH-la kah-lah-POU-yah

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