

Kinesiskt uttal enligt PinYin med utgång från engelskan.

Konsonanter

c	"ts" in cats
g	"g" in gone
h	"ch" in German "Bach"
j	"j" in jeans (dj)
q	"ch" in cheese
s	"s" in sir
x	"sh" in shock
z	"ds" in fads

Retroflexiva ljud

ch	"ch" in cheese
sh	"sh" in shock
zh	"j" in jeans (dj)
r	"r" in radio

när vokalen "i" placeras efter retroflexiv konsonant uttalas den "r"	
chi	chr
shi	shr
zhi	jr
ri	growling rrrr

Vokaler

a	"a" in father
e	"u" in fur
i	"ee" in see after c,s or z more like the "e" in her
o	os the "o" in or
u	"u" in flute like ü when preceded by q, j och x
ü	German "für"

Diftonger

ai	"y" in fly
ao	"ow" in now
ei	"ay" in day
ia	"ya" in yard
ie	"ye" in yes
iu	"yo" in yolk
ou	"ow" in low
ua	wah
üe	"you a" in you ate
ui	"way"
uo	"war"
iao	"iao" in miaow
uai	"why"

Kombinationer

an	"on" in upon
en	"en" broken
eng	ehng
er	"er" in her
ian	"yen"
iang	yahng
in	ohng
ing	eeng
iong	yohng
ong	ohng
uan	after j, q och x oowen annars oowan
un	ohng
uang	wong
üan	"you an"
ün	yuen