

Mien Language Learning - hoqc mienh waac

Pronunciation Guide

VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS

SYM.	MIEN	ENGLISH
a	nangh	alive
aa	naang	snake
aaɪ	naaɪc	is/ask
aaʊ	caaʊv	fry
ae	dae	dad
ai	lai	vegetable
au	nzaʊv	salt
e	geh	ride
ei	hmei	oil
er	sern	meat salad
eu	heuc	call/ask
i	biu	jump
ie	cie	vehicle
io	jiouh	bridge
iou	biouv	fruit
iu	miuc	temple
o	doic	friend
oi	koiv	ocean
on	don	chair
or	orv	meat

SYM.	MIEN	ENGLISH
ou	coux	bed
u	auv	wife
ua	juangv	cold
uaa	huaang	in a hurry
uei	mueiz	bee
ui	lui	shirt
un	junh	fat
uo	mbuo	us/we

Comments on Vowels:

- vowels -a and -aa are pronounced differently only due to vowel length
- words containing the diphthong -uea is used for words from other languages