

Phongraphics FON⁰GRAFIKS Fon-Graphiks

FON⁰GRAFIKS is an alternative way to write/read English. The symbols are called “grafs”. The sounds are called “fonz”. **FON⁰GRAFIKS** designates 29 basic fonz and corresponding grafis to represent the sounds of spoken English. There are two different symbol sets in **FON⁰GRAFIKS**: **FONO.1** and **FONO.2**. **FONO.1** is an altered version of the standard alphabet; **FONO.2** is an entirely new symbol set in which groups of similar sounds are represented by groups of similar symbols.

One major difference between **FON⁰GRAFIKS** and the alphabet is that **FON⁰GRAFIKS** is not written in “words”. We do not speak in disconnected words. Werunallourwordstogetherwhenwespeak. **FON⁰GRAFIKS** is written in “utterances”, following the natural rhythms of speech.

e.g. I am going to go to the store.

I'm gonnagoda the store.

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Why **FON⁰GRAFIKS**? Our nervous systems make and use models of the world. A writing system is a visual model of the sounds we make when talking. The old alphabet is a disaster. It's been said to be less than 20% phonetic. No wonder many people have so much trouble learning to spell/read. Further, there is evidence to suggest that imposing such an irrational/disordered system on a sensitive, young human brain/mind could result in permanent physiological damage. **FON⁰GRAFIKS** is a coherent, efficient and even playful alternative to the present chaos.

Reading **FON⁰GRAFIKS** is actually an altered state of consciousness... hearing with your eyes.

Among other things, **FON⁰GRAFIKS** (in the form of **FONO.1**) has been used to teach listening/speaking skills to students of English as a second language and as a sort of “training” alphabet to teach reading to children and other first-time readers.

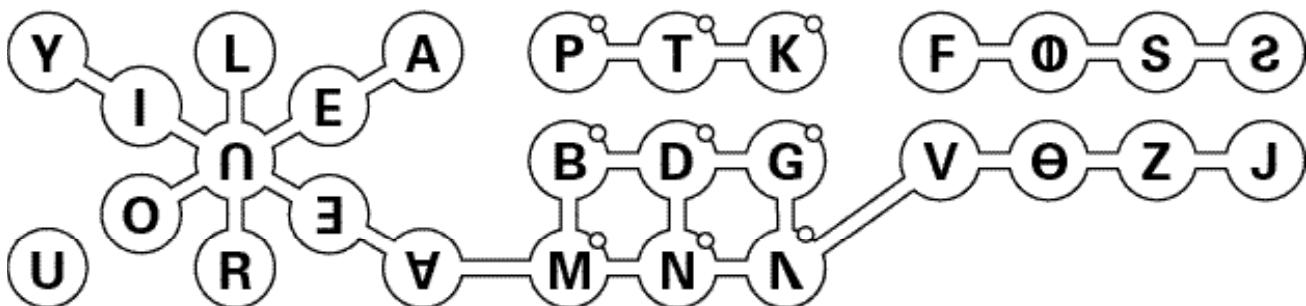
FON⁰GRAFIKS is a compromise between accuracy and simplicity, falling heavily towards simplicity. I made this compromise, in part, because I teach listening/speaking skills to adult Asian immigrants and wanted a tool I could use in the classroom. I'm quite pleased to report that it has been very successful and popular with my students.

FON⁰GRAFIKS was not created under any illusions as to the likelihood of its being adopted by the general population. I am aware of the shortcomings of a fonedi raydyng sisdm. **FON⁰GRAFIKS** is merely an attempt to devise an optimal system for purely aesthetic purposes... to satisfy my own desire for a better system. It was great fun and very satisfying to have been able to accomplish it. If it catches on... great. If not... so be it.

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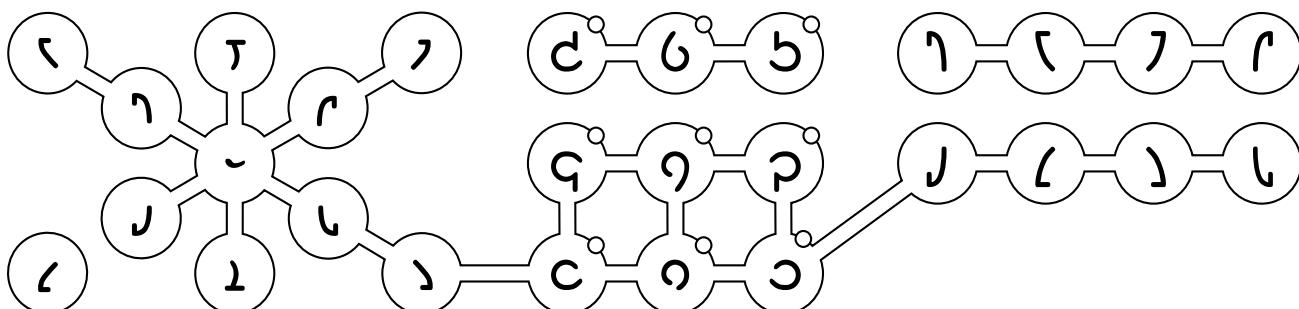
FONNGRAFIKS

FONO.1



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FONO 2



the sounds

U ˘	it's about good looks	M C	mama smokes lamb	V J	Venus avoids love
I ˘	idiots did hit pigs	B G	bubbling splashing Bob	F ˘	fall after you laugh
Y ˘	he eats green baloney	P C	peas upon puppy	Θ ˘	the others bathe
Ξ ˘	under some thumb	B Ç	Bob's an absolute slob	Ø ˘	therapeutic ether bath
ʌ ɔ	awful dog claw	P Ç	pop's options drop	Z ɔ	zen floozie loses
O ɔ	old crows know	N ɔ	Ned's nanny Ann	S ɔ	silly opossum hats
U ˘	Willie soon knew	D ɔ	dad's dumb idea	J ˘	Jean's leisure suit's beige
E ˘	Ed never says when	T ˘	toys attract tots	Σ ˘	shall ushers gush
A ɔ	Andy's fat and happy	D ˘	dad's badly bored	H ɔ	no hogs ahead
R ˘	Greg runs free	T ˘	check Pat's brat		
R ˘	I don't urge murder	N ɔ	Ngaio's finger ring		
L ˘	ladies always smile	G P	Gary scraped his finger		
L ˘	single eagle	K ˘	crummy cake baker		
		G ˘	bugs dig ragtime big		
		K ˘	Rick's action lacks luck		

Seven common di-fenz

**Chief
fine
noise.**

**John
loud** **ĐVN
LAUD**

made M**EYD**
bone B**OUN**

examples

Anyone can spot wrong answers.
It takes a truly creative mind to spot wrong questions.

ENYUEENKUNNSBA†TRANANSRZ
ITTEYKSUNTRULYKRYEYDIVMAYNTUSBA†TRANKUESDUNZ

የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

For it is known that language
does not so much reflect reality as create it.

FORIDIZNON ΘΑΤΛΑΓΥΝΟΔ
DEZNATSMESTRUFLEKDRYALNDY AZKRYEYDIT

የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

Don't believe everything you hear your language machine say.
DONTBONLYVEVRYΦΥΛ YUHIRIURLANGUNOΔJMUNSYNSEY
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

Science and religion are not so different in the end,
except that in science, the ultimate sin is believing too strongly.

SAYUNSANDRULIΔJUNRNATSODIFRUNDINΔYEND
EKSEPΘADINSAYUNS ΘΥΕLTUMNUTSIN IZBULYVYKTUSDRAVLY
ለሱስትና ተከራካሪ ተከራካሪ
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

Only the truly religious dare to question their faith.
ONLYΘUNTRULYRULIΔJUS DERTNUKEESDINUΔERFEYΦ
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

Truth emerges more readily from error than from confusion.
TRUΦUNMRΔJUNZMOREDUNLYFREEMERR ΘUNFRΔMKUNFIUJUN
የሰራተኞች በኋላ ስራ እንደሆነ

Piggy breath honks the jazz flute of motion.
PIGYBREΦHAKSΘUNΔJAZFLUTEVMSOSN
ዳጋፍሪዎች ተከራካሪ

Goof? Head-Jazz Nerve Pill boinks the thought mush.
GUF? HEΔJAZNRVPIL BOYAKSΘUNΔTMESES.
ዶግ ከዚህንናዚ ተከራካሪ