

Munja'kin Description (One Sentence Version)

Munja'kin is a staccato and rhythmic language—a language that sounds at time like a pinball machine, and at other times like a babbling brook in a stony pond..

Consonants That Are Identical to English

B - " <u>b</u> ad"	CH - " <u>ch</u> op"	D - " <u>d</u> ove"
G - " <u>g</u> oal"	H - " <u>h</u> aze"	J - " <u>j</u> ump"
L - " <u>l</u> ove"	M - " <u>m</u> agic"	N - " <u>n</u> ever"
S - " <u>s</u> ad"	V - " <u>v</u> ast"	W - " <u>w</u> est"
Z - " <u>z</u> ebra"		

Consonants That Are Almost Identical to English

P, T, K - pronounced *without* aspiration, cf.:

pie vs. spy tie vs. sty kit vs. skit

G - *always* hard like "goal"; *never* soft like "genius"

Consonants That Differ from English

R - flapped lightly, as in Spanish "Marría" ([r_flap.mp3](#))

' - like the catch "ʔ" in "uhʔoh" ([glottal_stop.mp3](#))

Basic Vowels

A - like "a" in "father"; *always* pure

I - *always* like "i" in "machine"; *always* pure

O - like "o" in "tome"; *always* pure

U - like "u" in "ruminant"; *always* pure

Stress

Written in All Caps: munja'kin ~ mun-JA'-kin

Practice

Vowel Sequences ([v_seq.mp3](#))

si-MO-a ki-a-LO-u sta-o-U-ki

mi-o-A-o na-tu-I u-va-'u-U

Complex Clusters ([cc.mp3](#))

MAN-dla SKIZ-du u-pas-CHIN-dri

zbis-KU in-dli-HU-a wim-bin-DRUS-pi

Glottal Clusters ([glottal_c.mp3](#))

mun-JA'-kin TA'-pi zdu'-TI-ka

A'-cho scha'-PO-ra LA'-ku