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Grapheme

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Definition

A *grapheme* is a representation of a letter concept in a language. Each grapheme may have different graphs that are linguistically an agreed-upon letter, i.e., <a, A, a>. Graphs vary by font or handwriting style, but users of a language agree that certain graphs are still of the same grapheme. The appearances of the graphs can be considered *allographs* of the same grapheme. The *graphemic buffer* is part of the cognitive-linguistic processes in which there is a connection between the phoneme(s) and the grapheme(s) in both reading and writing, e.g., (/ʃv/ in spoken form = <shoe> in written form).

See Also

- [Agraphia](#)
- [Alexia](#)
- [Graphesthesia](#)

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