

# Re: ASCII convention

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"Yusuf B Gurseey" <[ybg@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:ybg@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> writes:

- > what is the recommended convention for representing \*letters\* which may
- > not be identical to the phonemes? [ ... ]is for actual speech, / ... /
- > is for phonemes, how about the just the letters, assuming an appropriate
- > transliteration system? i.e. "in an inscription one finds y – w – s –
- > f" (but do this more economically). in article, a well known arabist
- > recommends italics, and criticizes an author using /... / (IIRC such a
- > criticism was voiced in an earlier post) which is not possible in an
- > ASCII post. so how do it?

I have always understood that graphemes are supposed to be marked up with angle brackets ("[<w>](#) represents a semivowel in English").

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