A Convenient New Method for Annotating English Phonetic Transcriptions

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English spelling and Japanese spelling are not phonetic. This means that the written form of a word and its pronunciation do not always match. When encountering a new English word, readers should avoid guessing the pronunciation based on experience and instead use a dictionary to find the correct pronunciation in order to read words correctly. Similarly, in Japanese, the Kanji characters cannot be read just by looking at them. To address this issue, the Japanese use Furigana, a method of writing phonetic readings above the characters, making it convenient for reading without frequent dictionary lookups. This presentation will propose a solution to improve this problem by cleverly marking IPA (International Phonetic Alphabet) above English words, similar to how Furigana is placed above Kanji in Japanese. This method can be applied in textbooks to make English texts more accessible and comprehensible. Learners can also take effective notes on how to pronounce new words after hearing them.

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