



TWO SOUNDS OF C AND G

Dos Sonidos de C y G

When (*Cuando*) **C** is before (*antes de*) **E, I,** or **Y,** it has a soft (*blando*) sound, the sound of **S**:



city



bicycle



celery (*apio*)



ice



voice (*voz*)



cymbal (*cimbalo*)

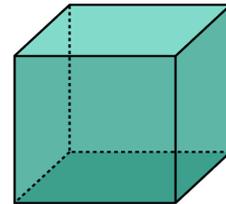
When (*Cuando*) **C** is before (*antes de*) **A, O,** or **U,** it has a hard (*duro*) sound, the sound of **K**:



cane (*bastón*)



coat



cube

But there are exceptions (*excepciones*).
For example (*por ejemplo*),
this **C** has a hard **K** sound:

soccer (*fútbol*)



When **G** is before (*antes de*) **E, I, or Y**, it has a soft (*blando*) sound, the sound of **J** in English:



huge (*enorme*)



giant (*gigante*)



gym (*gimnasio*)

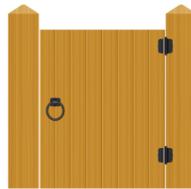


bridge (*puente*)

When **G** is before **A, O, or U**, it has a hard sound:



to go



gate (*puerta*)



gum (*chicle*)

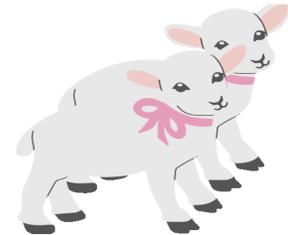
There are many words that are exceptions.
For example (*por ejemplo*):



to give a gift (*regalo*)



girl (*niña*)



together (*juntos*)