

## 1. THE PRONUNCIATION OF THE VOWELS



- a** - babà (father) - like the **a** in father,
- e** - metal (metal) - like the **e** in technique,
- ë** - nënë (mother) - like the **u** in nurse or like the **e** in father,
- i** - mîrë (good)- like the **ee** in sleep,
- o** - opera (opera)- like the **o** in port,
- u** - frut (fruit) - like the **oo** in food,
- y** - i dytë (second) - approximately like **u** in avenue (French **u**).