

Individual Characters

अ a	आ ā	इ i	ई ī	उ u	ऊ ū	ऋ ṛ
<i>but</i>	<i>calm</i>	<i>bee (but shorter)</i>	<i>bee</i>	<i>put</i>	<i>cool</i>	<i>father (US)</i>
ए e	ऐ ai	ओ o	औ au			
<i>where</i>	<i>my</i>	<i>more</i>	<i>loud</i>			

unvoiced unaspirated stop unvoiced aspirated stop voiced unaspirated stop voiced aspirated stop nasal

velar	क ka <i>ski</i>	ख kh <i>backhand</i>	ग ga <i>golf</i>	घ gha <i>egghead</i>	ङ ṅa <i>sing</i>
palatal	च ca <i>charm</i>	छ cha <i>ranch house</i>	ज ja <i>jam</i>	झ jha <i>sponge holder</i>	ञ ña <i>ranch, pinata</i>
retro-flex	ट ṭa <i>no English equivalents: like dentals, but with the tip of the tongue curled back</i>	ठ ṭha <i>no English equivalents: like dentals, but with the tip of the tongue curled back</i>	ड ḍa <i>no English equivalents: like dentals, but with the tip of the tongue curled back</i>	ढ ḍha <i>no English equivalents: like dentals, but with the tip of the tongue curled back</i>	ण ṇa <i>no English equivalents: like dentals, but with the tip of the tongue curled back</i>
dental	त ta <i>still</i>	थ tha <i>hot-headed</i>	द da <i>dance</i>	ध dha <i>madhouse</i>	न na <i>name</i>
labial	प pa <i>spot</i>	फ pha <i>upheaval</i>	ब ba <i>but</i>	भ bha <i>clubhouse</i>	म ma <i>mother</i>
semi-vowels	य ya <i>yes</i>	र ra <i>run</i>	ल la <i>land</i>	व va <i>wine or vine</i>	
sibilants and h	श śa <i>ship</i>	ष ṣa <i>wash</i>	स sa <i>sing</i>	ह ha <i>house</i>	

Vowels After Consonants

VOWELS

त ta	ता tā	ति ti	ती tī	तु tu	तू tū	तृ ṭṛ	तृ tṛ	तृ ṭṛ
ते te	तै tai	तो to	तौ tau	तः taḥ	तं taṃ			

Special Conjunct Consonants

क्ष kṣa <i>kṣa</i>	द्य dya <i>dya</i>	ह्यhya <i>hya</i>	क्त kta <i>kta</i>	त्त tta <i>tta</i>	श्च śca <i>śca</i>	श्च śva <i>śva</i>
ज्ञ jña <i>jña</i>	र्प rpa <i>rpa</i>	प्र pra <i>pra</i>	त्र tra <i>tra</i>			

CONSONANTS

Various Special Characters

रु ru <i>ru</i>	रू rū <i>rū</i>	हृ ṛ <i>ṛ</i>	हृ ḍ <i>ḍ</i>	ॐ OM <i>OM</i>
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