

## Diacritic Letters

Vowels	as in	<b>Consonants:</b>
a	cut	<b>Gutturals</b> (from the throat)
ā	father	<b>as in</b>
i	pin	k      king
ī	east	kh <u>kh</u> o
u	pull	g      god
ū	pool	gh <u>gh</u> ost
ṛ	rishi	ñ <u>ñ</u> g
ṝ	proof	<b>Palatals</b> (from the palate)
e	pen	<b>as in</b>
ē	able	c <u>ch</u> urch
ai	eye	ch <u>st</u> aunch <u>h</u> unt
o	go	j      jar
ō	over	jh <u>h</u> edge <u>h</u> og
au	owl	ñ <u>c</u> anyon
		<b>Cerebrals</b> : From the tip of the tongue turned up and drawn back against the dome of the palate
		<b>as in</b>
		ṭ      tap
		ṭh     light <u>h</u> ear <u>t</u>
		ḍ      dot
		ḍh     red <u>h</u> ot
		ṇ      ground <u>n</u> ut

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**Dentals** : with the fore-part of the tounge against the teeth

**as in**

t	taiwan
th	thin
d	that
dh	dharma
n	nose

**Labials** : By joining the lips

**as in**

p	pot
ph	up_hill
b	ball
bh	rub_hard
m	man

**Other consonants :**

**as in**

y	young
r	read
l	law
v	voice
ś	sri
ṣ	she
s	sea
h	horse
ḷ	ronald
ṛ	terr <u>ace</u>

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**Note:**

ḷ (ॡ) is not used in sanskrit. It is used only in 'rigveda' instead of ḍ (ॢ) in some places and in 'yajurveda' ḍ (ॢ) is used instead of ḷ (ॡ) in some places.

The letter ṛ (ॡ) exists in south indian languages (Telugu, Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam) only.

Similarly ḷ (ॡ) also used in the above languages.