Korean Alphabet-Phonetic Writing System

21 Vowels

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| Simple vowels | ㅏ | ㅓ | ㅗ | ㅜ | ㅡ | ㅣ | ㅐ | ㅔ |
| [a] | [eo] | [o] | [u] | [eu] | [i] | [ae] | [e] |
| Diphthongs | ㅑ | ㅕ | ㅛ | ㅠ | ㅖ | ㅒ |  |  |
| [ya] | [yeo] | [yo] | [yu] | [ye] | [yae] |  |  |
| ㅘ | ㅙ | ㅚ | ㅝ | ㅞ | ㅟ |  | ㅢ |
| [wa] | [wae] | [we]\* | [wo] | [we] | [wi] |  | [eui] |

19 Consonants

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| Plain consonants | ㄱ | ㄴ | ㄷ | ㄹ | ㅁ | ㅂ | ㅅ | ㅇ | ㅈ |
| [g] | [n] | [d] | [l/r] | [m] | [b] | [s] | [ng]\* | [j] |
| Aspirated consonants | ㅋ |  | ㅌ |  |  | ㅍ |  | ㅎ | ㅊ |
| [k] |  | [t] |  |  | [p] |  | [h] | [ch] |
| Tensed consonants | ㄲ |  | ㄸ |  |  | ㅃ | ㅆ |  | ㅉ |
| [gg] |  | [dd] |  |  | [bb] | [ss] |  | [jj] |

Basic Particles and Verbs

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| Particles |  Frequently used verb/adjective |
| Topic particle  | 은/는 | [eun/neun] |  to be (identification) |  이에요 [i-e-yo] |  for C-ending noun |
| Inclusion (also) | 도 | [do] |  예요 [ye-yo] |  for V-ending noun |
| Subject particle | 이/가 | [ee / ga] |  to be, exist (existence) |  있어요 [i-sseo-yo] |
| Object particle | 을/를 | [eul/reul] |  to be good |  좋아요 [jo-a-yo] |
| Location particle | 에(서) | [e(seo)] |  to be fun |  재미있어요 [jae-mi-i-sseo-yo] |
| Destination | 에 | [e] |  to eat |  먹어요 [muh-guh-yo] |
| Time particle | 에 | [e] |  to meet |  만나요 [man-na-yo] |
| Co-participant | 하고 | [hago] |  to do |  해요 [hae-yo] |