

HANGUL at a glance (Korean Alphabet)

Hangul was created and promulgated by King SEJONG in 1446. Hangul is a phonemic alphabet organized into syllabic blocks. Each block consists of two or three of 24 letters: **consonant + vowel (+ consonant)**.

14 consonants : ㄱ ㄴ ㄷ ㄹ ㅁ ㅂ ㅅ ㅇ ㅈ ㅊ ㅋ ㅌ ㅍ ㅎ
 10 vowels : ㅏ ㅑ ㅓ ㅕ ㅗ ㅛ ㅜ ㅠ ㅡ ㅣ

ㄱ [g]	ㅋ [k]	ㄱㄱ [kk] as in Cognac	ㄹ [r,l]	ㄹ [r]	ㄹㄹ [ll]
ㄴ [n]	ㄷ [d]	ㅌ [t]	ㄷㄷ [tt] as in Printemps		
ㅁ [m]	ㅂ [b]	ㅍ [p]	ㅂㅂ [pp] as in Paris		
ㅅ [s]	ㅈ [j]	ㅊ [ch]	ㅅ strong [s]	ㅈㅈ [jj] as in Mozart	
ㅇ no sound before vowel, [ng] after vowel	ㅎ [h]	ㅈㅈ [z]			
ㅌ [v]	ㅍ [f]	ㅍ [ð] as in this	ㅍㅍ [θ] as in thing		
ㅏ [a]	ㅑ [ya]	ㅓ [æ]	ㅕ [yæ]		
ㅓ [ə]	ㅕ [yə]	ㅗ [e]	ㅛ [ye]		
ㅗ [o]	ㅛ [yo]	ㅜ [ø,ö]	ㅠ [wa]	ㅡ [wæ]	
ㅜ [u]	ㅠ [yu]	ㅡ [ü,wi]	ㅣ [wə]	ㅣ [we]	
ㅡ [eu] as in Renault	ㅣ [i]	ㅣ [eui]			

* ㄱ=ㄱ, ㅅ=ㅅ, ㅈ=ㅈ, ㅊ=ㅊ, ㅎ=ㅎ

빠리 Paris	리너 river	서울 Seoul	베이징 Beijing	왜건 wagon
뉴욕 New York	예멘 Yemen	워털루 Waterloo	토쿄 Tokyo	세븐 seven
슈만 Schumann	괴테 Goethe	웬 when	줌업 zoom up	페머 feather
배틀 battle	밀리언 million	위클리 weekly	새도우 shadow	밸리 valley
픽처 picture	코냑 Cognac	짜이퉁 zeitung	와인 wine	맙큐 Thank you
텔레폰 telephone	뛰 tu in French	롱 long	코펜하겐 Copenhagen	

The six consonants ㅌ, ㅍ, ㅍ, ㅍ, ㄹ, ㅈ were made by Jaigyoung Choe and not in use in Korea. They are introduced here as a possible means of recording the pronunciations nonexistent in Korean language.