

Pronunciation Guide for Alphabet Poster

Hindi is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world with over 500 million speakers across several countries. The language is written in the Devanagri script, which is the same script used for Sanskrit, one of the oldest and richest languages in the world. Transliteration of Hindi is very subjective. At The Heritage Supply Co., we have created a set of transliterations specifically for English speakers who are interested to learn the Hindi alphabet and basic vocabulary. Please use this pronunciation guide as a tool to help you learn how to best pronounce these words as they are spoken colloquially.

Happy learning!

- ah/aa = 'a' in 'father'
- uh/u/a = 'u' in 'under'
- E = 'a' in 'angel'
- i = 'l' in 'India'
- ee = 'ee' in 'bee'
- ai = 'y' in 'try'
- **O** = 'o' in 'yo-yo'
- 00 = '00' in 'look'
- ooh = 'oo' in 'noodle'
- ou = 'ou' in 'out'
- dh = English 'the'
- Several Hindi consonants come in pairs unaspirated and aspirated. Aspiration is a strong exhale of breath that follows a letter's sound and has been transliterated with an 'h' following the aspirated consonant. In four instances, however, aspirated consonants have been capitalized instead to avoid any confusion with the transliteration of other Hindi letters. These four consonants are: 'T', 'D', 'DH', and 'SH'.



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