

Pinyin chart

Tones:

1st tone	2nd tone	3rd tone	4th tone	Neutral tone
ā	**á**	**ǎ**	**à**	**a**

Initials:

b	p	m	f	d	t	n	l	g	k	h			
j	q	x	zh	ch	sh	r	z	c	s	y	w		

single finals:

a	o	e	i	u	ü

compound finals:

"a" group:

ai	an	ao	ang

"o" group:

ou	ong

"e" group:

ei	en	eng	er

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"i/y" group:

ia(ya)	ie(ye)	iao(yao)	ian(yan)	iong(yong)
in(yin)	ing(ying)	iu(you)	iang(yang)	

"u/w" group:

ua(wa)	uo(wo)	ui(wei)	un(wen)
uai(wai)	uan(wan)	uang(wang)	ueng(weng)

"ü" group:

üan(yuan)	üe(yue)	ün(yun)

Whole syllables:

zhi	chi	shi	ri	zi	ci	si

Special rules:

1) tone 3 + tone3 will become tone 2 + tone3 : nǐ hǎo→ ní hǎo
2) j q x y, meet the ü, dots are gone, sound remain: j+ǖ→ jū; q+ǖ→ qū; x+ǖ→ xū; y+ǖ→ yū
3) In the whole syllables, the "i" sound is silent.
4) The tone mark order is a → o → e → i → u → ü, with the exception of uī.



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