

## Transliteration and Pronunciation

In this book, Devanāgarī characters have been transliterated according to the scheme adopted by the International Congress of Orientalists at Athens in 1912. One fixed pronunciation value is given to each letter; f, q, w, x and z are not called to use. According to this scheme:

Character	Sounds like	Character	Sounds like
अ	a o as in <i>son</i>	ड	ḍ ḍ as in <i>dog</i>
आ	ā as in <i>Māster</i>	ढ	ḍh ḍh as in <i>godhood</i>
इ	i as in <i>if</i>	ण	ṇ ṇ as in <i>under</i>
ई	ī ee as in <i>feel</i>	त्	t
उ	u u as in <i>full</i>	थ	th th as in <i>thumb</i>
ऊ	ū oo as in <i>boot</i>	द्	d th as in <i>then</i>
ऋ	ṛ ri as in <i>rim</i>	ध	dh theh as in <i>breathe here</i>
ए	e as in <i>evade</i>	न्	n
ऐ	ai y as in <i>my</i>	प्	p
ओ	o	फ्	ph ph as in <i>loop hole</i>
औ	au ow as in <i>now</i>	ब्	b
क्	k	भ्	bh as in <i>abhor</i>
ख्	Kh ckh as in <i>blockhead</i>	म्	m
ग	g (hard)	य्	y
घ	gh as in <i>log-hut</i>	र्	r
ङ	ṅ ng	ल्	l
च्	c ch as in <i>chuckle</i>	व्	v as in <i>avert</i>
छ	ch chh as in <i>catch him</i>	श्	ś sh as in <i>shut</i>
ज	j	ष्	ṣ sh as in <i>sugar</i>
झ	jh dgeh as in <i>hedgehog</i>	स्	s
ञ	ñ n as in <i>banyan</i>	ह्	h
ट्	ṭ t as in <i>tank</i>	ः	ṛh
ठ्	ṭh th as in <i>ant-hill</i>	:	ḥ (half h)