

Vai Syllabary

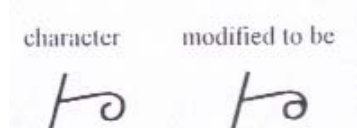
Value	[a]	[ɛ]	[e]	[i]	[ɔ]	[o]	[u]
	ᄀ	ᄁ	ᄂ	ᄃ	ᄄ	ᄅ	ᄆ
[b]	ᄇ	ᄈ	ᄉ	ᄊ	ᄋ	ᄌ	ᄍ
[β]	ᄎ	ᄏ	ᄐ	ᄑ	ᄒ	ᄓ	ᄔ
[c]	ᄕ	ᄖ	ᄗ	ᄘ	ᄙ	ᄚ	ᄛ
[d]	ᄜ	ᄟ	ᄠ	ᄡ	ᄣ	ᄤ	ᄥ
[d̥]	ᄦ	ᄩ	ᄪ	ᄫ	ᄭ	ᄮ	ᄯ
[f]	ᄰ	ᄱ	ᄲ	ᄳ	ᄴ	ᄵ	ᄶ
[g]	ᄷ	ᄸ	ᄹ	ᄺ	ᄻ	ᄼ	ᄽ
[g~]		ᄾ					
[gb]	ᄿ	ᅀ	ᅁ	ᅂ	ᅃ	ᅄ	ᅅ ²
[h]	ᅆ	ᅇ	ᅈ	ᅉ	ᅊ	ᅋ	ᅌ
[h~]	ᅍ	ᅎ		ᅏ	ᅐ		ᅑ ³
[h~]		ᅒ					
[j]	ᅓ	ᅔ	ᅕ	ᅖ	ᅗ	ᅘ	ᅙ
[k]	ᅚ	ᅛ	ᅜ	ᅝ	ᅞ	ᅟ	ᅠ
[k~]		ᅡ					
[kp]	ᅢ	ᅣ	ᅤ	ᅥ	ᅦ	ᅧ	ᅨ ⁴
[kp~]	ᅩ						
[l]	ᅪ	ᅫ	ᅬ	ᅭ	ᅮ	ᅯ	ᅰ
[m]	ᅱ	ᅲ		ᅳ	ᅴ		ᅵ
[mβ]	ᅶ	ᅷ	ᅸ	ᅹ	ᅺ	ᅻ	ᅼ
[mgb]	ᅽ	ᅾ	ᅿ		ᆀ	ᆁ	
[n]	ᆂ	ᆃ		ᆄ	ᆅ		ᆆ
[nd̥]	ᆇ	ᆈ	ᆉ	ᆊ	ᆋ	ᆌ ⁵	ᆍ
[nj]	ᆎ	ᆏ		ᆐ	ᆑ		ᆒ ⁶
[ny]	ᆓ	ᆔ	ᆕ	ᆖ	ᆗ	ᆘ	ᆙ
[ŋ]	ᆚ	ᆛ			ᆜ		
[ŋg]	ᆝ	ᆞ	ᆟ	ᆠ	ᆡ	ᆢ	ᆣ
[ŋg~]	ᆤ	ᆥ ⁷					
[p]	ᆦ	ᆧ	ᆨ	ᆩ	ᆪ	ᆫ	ᆬ
[s]	ᆭ	ᆮ	ᆯ	ᆰ	ᆱ	ᆲ	ᆳ
[t]	ᆴ	ᆵ	ᆶ	ᆷ	ᆸ	ᆹ	ᆺ
[v]	ᆻ	ᆼ	ᆽ	ᆾ	ᆿ	ᇀ	ᇁ
[w]	ᇂ	ᇃ	ᇄ	ᇅ	ᇆ	ᇇ	ᇈ
[w~]	ᇉ						
[y]	ᇊ	ᇋ	ᇌ	ᇍ	ᇎ	ᇏ	ᇐ
[z]	ᇑ	ᇒ	ᇓ	ᇔ	ᇕ	ᇖ	ᇗ
sbIN	ᇘ ⁸						

Punctuation

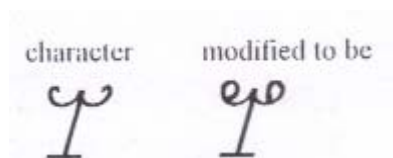
Punctuation listed here is in no particular order.

.	,	:	?	*	-	—	()
“	”	‘	’	<	>			
[]	=	+	%	\$	/	\	!

¹ David Drevlow, 1998-04-06: There are certain characters that people have pointed out to us, which are hard to differentiate from similar shapes. [di] should be modified to make it appear more distinct from [lu] and [ndu]:

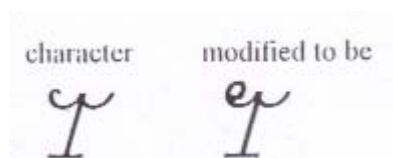


² David Drevlow, 1998-04-06: There are certain characters that people have pointed out to us, which are hard to differentiate from similar shapes. [gbu] should be modified to make it appear more distinct from [kpu] and [kε]:

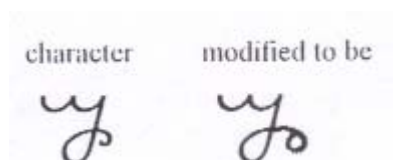


³ David Drevlow: We did not use this symbol in our texts. It may have appeared on some old charts and old old texts, but could not find it in current use.

⁴ David Drevlow, 1998-04-06: There are certain characters that people have pointed out to us, which are hard to differentiate from similar shapes. [kpu] should be modified to make it appear more distinct from [gbu] and [kε]:



⁵ David Drevlow, 1998-04-06: There are certain characters that people have pointed out to us, which are hard to differentiate from similar shapes. [ndo] should be modified to make it appear more distinct from [lo]:



⁶ David Drevlow: We did not find sufficient evidence that this syllable was being used in modern Vai.

⁷ David Drevlow: When present, it occurs word initial. However, it has a fairly low frequency of occurrence.

⁸ David Drevlow: This character is both the syllabic nasal as well as the only consonant that occurs word final position.