

# The Korean Hangeul keyboard

## 한글 자판 (字板)

Anyone can learn to touch-type Korean with just a few hours' practice.

### Keyboard map

Q	W	E	R	T	Y	U	I	O	P	{	}
ㅈ	ㅊ	ㅋ	ㆁ	ㄷ	ㅓ	ㅕ	ㅗ	ㅛ	ㅜ	[	]
ㅊ	ㅆ	ㅌ	ㄱ	ㅍ	(shift)			ㅝ	ㅠ	{	}
A	S	D	F	G	H	J	K	L	:	"	
ㅓ	ㅗ	ㅇ	ㄹ	ㅎ	ㅛ	ㅑ	ㅓ	ㅕ	;	'	\
	Z	X	C	V	B	N	M	<	>	?	
	ㅋ	ㅌ	ㅍ	ㅍ	ㅊ	ㅑ	ㅓ	,	.	/	

### Notes

(1) No relation at all with the Western keyboard layout. Consonants on left, vowels on right.

(2) Typist's home keys asdf jkl; are ㅓ ㅗ ㅇ ㄹ      ㅑ ㅓ ㅕ;  
 home keys extended asdfg hjkl;' are ㅓ ㅗ ㅇ ㄹ ㅎ   ㅛ ㅑ ㅓ ㅕ;

Keep fingers on the home keys and think or feel *without looking* for the other letters.

(3) The top row only is case sensitive: the consonants ㅈㅊㅋㆁ ㅊㅆㅌㄱㅍ go to their reinforced partners ㅊㅆㅌㄱㅍㅍ, the diphthongs ㅛㅕ to their moistened partners ㅝㅞ:

ㅈㅊ    ㅊㅆ    ㅋㅌ    ㆁㅍ                      (ㅓ    ㅕ    ㅗ)    ㅛㅕ    ㅝㅞ

(the reinforced consonants are also given by repeating: ㅈ+ㅈ=ㅊ, etc.).

(4) The consonants ㅈㅊㅋㆁ ㅊㅆㅌㄱㅍ on the top row are those having reinforced partners ㅊㅆㅌㄱㅍㅍ ㅊㅆㅌㄱㅍㅍ. The bottom row are the aspirated consonants ㅋㅌㅍㅍ in the opposite order.

(5) The moistened vowels ㅓㅕ ㅗㅛ are directly over their unmoistened partners ㅛㅕ ㅓㅗ.

The O-like vowels ㅑㅓ are both under the right index finger.

The U-like vowels ㅛㅑㅓㅕ are adjacent on the bottom row.

(6) The compound vowels ㅑㅓ ㅓㅕ ㅑㅕ ㅑㅗ ㅑㅛ are formed by simple addition:

ㅑㅓ = ㅓ+ㅓ,              ㅓㅕ = ㅓ+ㅕ,  
 ㅑㅕ = ㅓ+ㅕ,              ㅑㅗ = ㅓ+ㅗ,  
 ㅑㅛ = ㅓ+ㅛ,              ㅑㅑ = ㅓ+ㅑ.

Likewise, the compound patchim (finals) ㅊㅍㅍ are formed by the obvious addition:

ㅊㅍ = ㅊ+ㅍ              ㅊㅓ = ㅊ+ㅓ  
 ㅊㅗ = ㅊ+ㅗ              ㅊㄹ = ㅊ+ㄹ  
 ㅊㅓ = ㅊ+ㅓ              ㅊㅛ = ㅊ+ㅛ  
 ㅊㅗ = ㅊ+ㅗ              ㅊㅑ = ㅊ+ㅑ  
 ㅊㅓ = ㅊ+ㅓ              ㅊㅕ = ㅊ+ㅕ  
 ㅊㅗ = ㅊ+ㅗ              ㅊㅛ = ㅊ+ㅛ  
 ㅊㅓ = ㅊ+ㅓ.