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Arial Unicode supports the following South Asian scripts: Bengali, Devanagari, Gurmukhi, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil, and Telugu.

Bengali

Bengali is the language spoken in Bangladesh and its neighboring state, West Bengal in India. Bengali is usually written in the Bengali script. Bengali is a Brahmic script and is similar to the Devanagari. Each base symbol represents a syllable, and other symbols can be added to suppress or change that vowel's syllable. Consonant clusters are often indicated by using ligatures to represent two symbols.

অ আ ই ঈ উ ঊ ঋ ঌ এ ঐ ও ঔ ক খ গ ঘ ঙ চ ছ জ জ

ঝ ঞ ট ঠ ড ঢ ণ ত থ দ ধ ন প ফ ব ভ ম য র ল শ ষ স

হ া ি ী ে ৈ ো ৌ ্ ৗ ড় ঢ় য় ৠ ৡ ০ ১ ২ ৩ ৪ ৫ ৬ ৭ ৮ ৯ ৰ

ৱ ৲ ৳ ৴ ৵ ৶ ৷ ৸ ৹ ৺ ৻

Devanagari

Hindi is the national language of India, which is a direct descendant of Sanskrit and is considered a Brahmic script. The word Hindi means Indian and is of Persian origin. Hindi is written in the Devanagari script, which is considered to be one of the most scientific writing systems. The Devanagari script is written from left to right and is phonetic in nature. There is uniform correspondence between the letters and their pronunciation. The history of Hindi goes back to the twelfth century and has a rich grammatical tradition.

अ आ इ ई उ ऊ ऋ ऌ ए ऐ ऍ ऐ ओ औ ऑ ओ क ख ग घ ङ च

छ ज झ ञ ट ठ ड ढ ण त थ द ध न प फ ब भ म य र ऱ ल ळ

ऴ व श ष स ह ऽ ा ि ी ॉ ो ो ौ ् ॐ क़ ख़ ग़ ज़ ड़ ढ़

फ़ य़ ॠ ॡ । ॥ ० १ २ ३ ४ ५ ६ ७ ८ ९

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Gujarati

Gujarati is the state language of Gujarat in north-western India and is one of the fifteen official languages of the India. A formal grammar of the precursor of this language was written by Jain monk and eminent scholar Hemachandra-charya. It has a rich oral culture and a literary tradition which dates back to the tenth century. The construction of Gujarati can be considered somewhere between those of Hindi and Marathi. Gujarati does not have long vowels, but maintains neutral gender.

અ આ ઇ ઈ ઉ ઊ ઋ એ ઍ ઐ ઓ ઑ ઔ ક ખ ગ ઘ ઙ ચ છ જ

ઝ ઞ ટ ઠ ડ ઢ ણ ત થ દ ધ ન પ ફ બ ભ મ ય ર લ ળ વ શ ષ સ હ

ટ ા િ ી ૉ ો ૌ ૐ ૠ ૦ ૧ ૨ ૩ ૪ ૫ ૬ ૭ ૮ ૯

Gurmukhi

Gurmukhi was derived from the Landa alphabet and from the Nagari script. It was standardized in the 16th century and was designed to write the Punjabi language. Gurmukhi is a form of alphabet called an abugida, as each consonant has an inherent vowel that can be changed using vowel signs. The word Gurmukhi literally means "from the mouth of the Guru" based on the influence of Guru Nanak, the founder of the Sikh religion.

ਅ ਆ ਇ ਈ ਉ ਊ ਏ ਐ ਓ ਔ ਕ ਖ ਗ ਘ ਙ ਚ ਛ ਜ ਝ ਞ ਟ ਠ ਡ ਢ

ਣ ਤ ਥ ਦ ਧ ਨ ਪ ਫ ਬ ਭ ਮ ਯ ਰ ਲ ਲ਼ ਵ ਸ਼ ਸ ਹ ਾ ਿ ੀ ਖ਼ ਗ਼

ਜ਼ ੜ ਫ਼ ੦ ੧ ੨ ੩ ੪ ੫ ੬ ੭ ੮ ੯ ੲ ੳ ੴ

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Kannada

The Kannada language Kannada is almost as old as Tamil and has been spoken for about 2000 years. The Kannada writing system has been in use for about the last 1500 years. Kannada is mainly spoken in Karnataka in India, and to a lesser extent in the neighboring states. Initially the area of the Kannada speech extended much further to the north than present Karnataka, but was pushed back by the Aryan Marathi. The initial creation of the Kannada language is similar to the other Dravidian languages, particularly Tamil and Telugu. Kannada has been highly influenced by Sanskrit vocabulary and literary styles.

ಅ ಆ ಇ ಈ ಉ ಊ ಋ ಌ ಎ ಏ ಐ ಒ ಓ ಔ ಕ ಖ ಗ ಘ ಙ ಚ ಛ ಜ

ಝ ಞ ಟ ಠ ಡ ಢ ಣ ತ ಥ ದ ಧ ನ ಪ ಫ ಬ ಭ ಮ ಯ ರ ಱ ಲ ಳ

ವ ಶ ಷ ಸ ಹ ಀ ಁ ಂ ಃ ಄ ಾ ಿ ೀ ು ೂ ೃ ೄ ೆ ೇ ೈ ೊ ೋ

ೌ ್ ೕ ೖ ೠ ೡ ೢ ೣ ೱ ೲ ೳ ೴ ೵ ೶ ೷ ೸ ೹ ೺ ೻ ೼ ೽ ೾ ೿

Malayalam

Malayalam is the primary language of the state of Kerala in southern India. Malayalam belongs to the southern group of Dravidian languages. Malayalam has borrowed nouns, verbs and some basic vocabulary from Sanskrit. It is very close to Tamil, one of the major languages of the same family. This was primarily due to the extensive cultural synthesis that took place between the speakers of the two languages. As the language of administration and scholarship Tamil influenced the early development of Malayalam.

അ ആ ഇ ഈ ഉ ഊ ഋ ഌ എ ഏ ഐ ഒ ഓ ഔ ക ഖ ഗ ഘ

ങ ച ഛ ജ ഝ ഞ ട ഠ ഡ ഢ ണ ത ഥ ദ ധ ന പ ഫ ബ ഭ

മ യ ര റ ല ള ഴ വ ശ ഷ സ ഹ ാ ി ീ ു ൂ ൃ ൄ െ േ ൈ ൊ ് ൗ ൠ

ൡ ൢ ൣ ൤ ൥ ൦ ൧ ൨ ൩ ൪ ൫ ൬ ൭ ൮ ൯ ൰ ൱ ൲ ൳ ൴ ൵ ൶ ൷ ൸ ൹ ൺ ൻ ർ ൽ ൾ ൿ

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Tamil

The Tamil script evolved from the Grantha script of the Southern Indian group of scripts. The Tamil language is one of the oldest recorded languages in southern India and dates back to the 1st century AD. When the Grantha script was used to write the Tamil language until the 8th century a distinctive script evolved. During the medieval period, Tamil borrowed many words from Sanskrit in verbal usage, but in the 1900s attempts were made to remove Sanskrit from Tamil. The result is that modern Tamil is not based on Sanskrit as much as the other Indic languages.

அ ஆ இ ஈ உ ஊ எ ஏ ஐ ஒ ஓ ஔ க ங ச ஜ ஞ ட

ண த ந ன ப ம ய ர ற ல ள ழ வ ஷ ஸ ஹ ா ி ீ ு

ெ ே ை ொ ோ ௌ ள க உ ந ச ரு கூ எ அ

கூ ய ா ஆ

Telugu

Telugu is the official language of the state of Andhra Pradesh, India and is the most spoken language in Indian after Hindi. Telugu is part of the family of Dravidian languages. Basic vocabulary, verbs, sentence synthesis, and grammar dictate the architecture of the language. Telugu has resemblances with Tamil, Kannada, and Tulu. Telugu words ends with a vowel sound and are often quite melodic to the ear, which is why Telugu has been referred to as the "Italian of the East". Telugu is mainly spoken in Andhra Pradesh in India and its neighboring states.

అ ఆ ఇ ఈ ఉ ఊ ఋ ఌ ఎ ఏ ఐ ఒ ఓ ఔ క ఖ గ ఘ ఙ చ ఛ

జ ఝ ఞ ట ఠ డ ఢ ణ త థ ద ధ న ప ఫ బ భ మ య ర ఱ ల

ళ వ శ ష స హ ు ూ ృ ౄ ౠ ౡ ౦ ౧ ౨ ౩ ౪ ౫ ౬

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