

Hangul Vowels

Simple Vowels	“I” Diphthongs (vowel “i” added to simple vowels)	Other Diphthongs (combinations of various vowels)
아 a (father)	애 ae (hat)	
야 ya (yard)	얘 yae (yam)	
어 ǝ (hut)	에 e (met)	
여 yǝ (yearn)	예 ye (yes)	
오 o (home)	외 oe* (west)	와 wa 왜 wae (water) (wag)
요 yo (yoke)		
우 u (broom)	위 wi (week)	워 wǝ 웨 we (won) (wet)
유 yu (you)		
으 ǔ (taken)	의 ǚi (taken + we)	
이 i (ink or beet)		

The “O” written with each vowel is an unvoiced consonant which functions to indicate where an initial consonant may be affixed to the vowel when writing a syllable.

* In practice, the vowels oe and we are almost indistinguishable.

source: “Standard English-Korean Korean-English Dictionary for Foreigners” Hollym publishers