

Initial (声母)

d_(e)

t_(e)

n_(e)

l_(e)

d like “t” in “**stay**” (unaspirated)

t like “t” in “**tag**” (aspirated)

n l are pronounced similarly to their counterparts in the English.

Final (韵母)

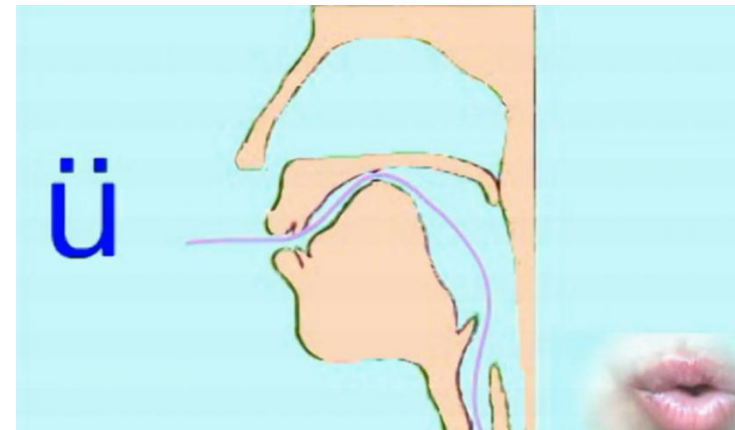
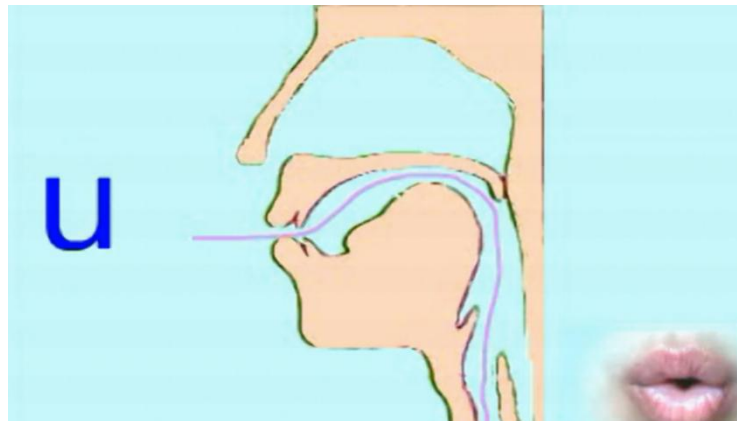
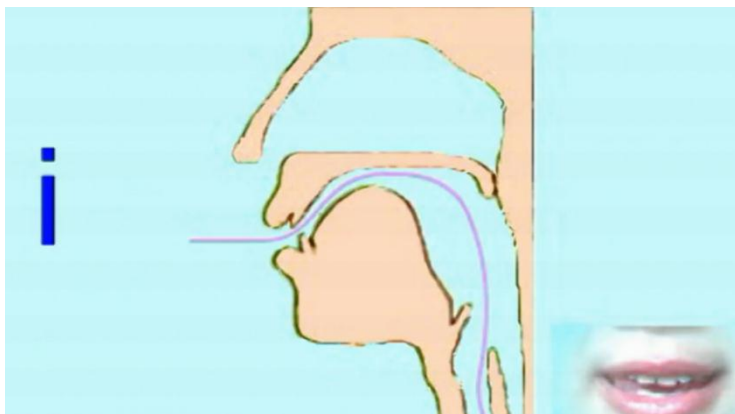
i

u

ü

ü

You can say **i** first, then keep your tongue where it is and round your lips to pronounce **ü**



Practice (练习)

dā dá dǎ dà
tā tá tǎ tà
nā ná nǎ nà
lā lá lǎ là

dī dí dǐ dì
tī tí tǐ tì
nī ní nǐ nì
lī lí lǐ lì

dū dú dǔ dù
tū tú tǔ tù
nú nǚ nù

lē lè
dē dé tè
lǚ lù nǚ nù

Chinese Syllables 汉语的音节

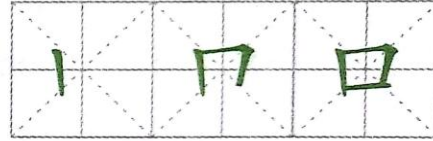
汉语的音节 Syllable	声母 Initial	韵母 Final	声调 Tone
bā (八, eight)	b	a	—
dú (读, read)	d	u	/
nǎ (哪, where)	n	a	v
lù (陆, earth)	l	u	\

Characters (汉字)

笔画 Stroke	名称 Name	例字 Examples
丶	点 (diǎn) dot	不 bù no, not 六 liù six
丿	提 (tí) rising	我 wǒ I 打 dǎ hit
㇇	横折 (héng zhé) horizontal-turning 折 (zhé) turning	因 yīn because 回 huí back
丨	竖钩 (shù gōu) Vertical-hook 钩 (gōu) hook	水 shuǐ water 定 dìng make

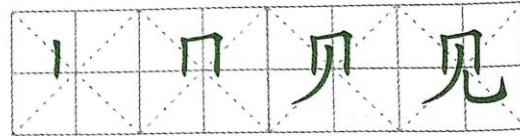
Single-Component Characters (独体字)

𠂇 → 凵 → 凵 → 口 ^{kǒu}



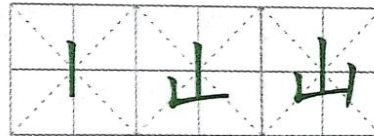
mouth

𠂇 → 𠂇 → 見 → 见 ^{jiàn}



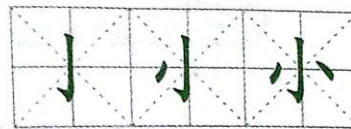
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𠂇 → 山 → 山 → 山 ^{shān}



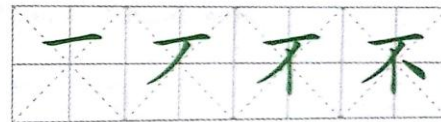
mountain

山 → 小 → 小 → 小 ^{xiǎo}



small

𠂇 → 不 → 不 → 不 ^{bù}



not