

Reading cards · Cluster 5

8 mukta words and 19 kanna words, using only the letters your child has learned.

ੜ ਯ ਝ ਵ ਓ ਅ ਏ

Your child also uses the letters they already know: ਸ ਹ ਮ ਨ ਰ ਕ ਪ ਟ ਗ ਜ ਡ ਤ ਥ ਦ ਧ ਠ ਢ ਣ ਚ ਛ ਝ ਞ ਙ ਘ ਙ ਘ ਙ ਘ

ਓ and ਏ never appear on their own, so they are not on these cards. Your child will meet them in Level 2, with vowel signs: ਉ ਊ ਓ and ਇ ਈ ਏ. ਝ and ਵ are rare and turn up inside longer words.

How to use

1. Print the cards and cut along the dashed lines.
2. Start with the short words. Point to each letter and say its sound, then blend the sounds into the word: ਸ + ਝ + ਕ = ਸੜਕ.
3. When your child is ready, move on to the kanna words. Kanna (ਾ) makes the long “aa” sound: ਕ + ਝ + ਾ = ਕੜਾ.
4. A few cards a day is plenty. Let your child read, and only help when they ask.

The small words at the bottom of each card are for grown-ups: how to say the word and what it means.



3 letters

ਸੜਕ

sarak · road

3 letters

ਪਕੜ

pakar · catch

3 letters

ਅਕਲ

akal · wisdom

3 letters

ਅਮਰ

amar · immortal

3 letters

ਅਰਥ

arth · meaning

4 letters

ਅਜਗਰ

ajgar · python

4 letters

ਗੜਬੜ

garbar · mess

4 letters

ਪਤਝੜ

patjhar · autumn



Kanna · 1 letter

ਆ

ā · come!

Kanna · 2 letters

ਆਪ

āp · you

Kanna · 2 letters

ਆਟਾ

āṭā · flour

Kanna · 2 letters

ਕੜਾ

kaṛā · kara

Kanna · 2 letters

ਘੜਾ

ghaṛā · water pot

Kanna · 2 letters

ਬੜਾ

baṛā · big

Kanna · 2 letters

ਯਾਰ

yār · friend

Kanna · 2 letters

ਯਾਦ

yād · memory



Kanna · 3 letters

ਕੜਾਹ

kaṛāh · karah prashad

Kanna · 3 letters

ਪਹਾੜ

pahār · mountain

Kanna · 3 letters

ਅਨਾਰ

anār · pomegranate

Kanna · 3 letters

ਅਚਾਰ

achār · pickle

Kanna · 3 letters

ਅਕਾਲ

akāl · Timeless One

Kanna · 3 letters

ਅਖਾੜਾ

akhārā · arena

Kanna · 3 letters

ਮਕੜਾ

makṛā · spider

Kanna · 3 letters

ਕਪੜਾ

kapṛā · clothes



Kanna · 3 letters

ਆਰਾਮ

ārām · rest

Kanna · 4 letters

ਅਰਦਾਸ

ardās · Ardaas

Kanna · 4 letters

ਅਸਮਾਨ

asmān · sky

