

Mien Language Learning - hoqc mienh waac

Pronunciation Guide

CONSONANT EXAMPLES

SYM.	MIEN	ENGLISH	SYM.	MIEN	ENGLISH
b	batv	pen/pencil	m	maa	mom
c	coux	bed	mb	mbing	monkey
d	dae	dad	n	naang	snake
f	faix	small	nd	ndie	medicine
g	gux	grandma	ng	ngongh	cow
h	hopv	drink	nj	njaaux	teach
hi	hingh	win	nq	nqox	husband
hl	hlaax	moon	ny	nyaanh	money
hm	hmien	face	nz	nzangc	word
hn	hnamv	love	p	poux	store
hng	hngongx	dumb	q	qaam	hug
hny	hnyangx	year	s	sieqv	girl
hu	hungh	king/leader	t	tiux	run
j	juv	dog	w	waaic	bad
k	koiv	ocean	y	yaauc	good
l	lungh	sky	z	zaah	tea

Comments on Consonants:

- initial and final consonants are pronounced differently
- -r is used rarely for words from other languages
- -r and -x are used for very recent borrowings from English such as rimotc (remote) or xsa'le (xray).
- -i and -u are voiceless semivowels (i = y and u = w)