

Hiragana: Core Vowels

Romaji (ローマ字)	Sound (音)	Hiragana (ひらがな)	Word (語)
A	AH like the "A" in "Apply"	あ	ありがとう(a-ri-ga-to)
I	EE like the "EE" in "Beet" or the "E" in "Eat"	い	いい(i-i)
U	U like the "U" in "Udon"	う	うえ(u-e)
E	EH like the "EH" in "Meh"	え	えいご(e-i-go)
O	OH like the "O" in Ohio or the "O" in "Okay"	お	おやすみ(o-ya-su-mi)