

English Letter /Symbol Equivalent	Urdu Letter	Name of the Urdu Letter
a	ا	alif
b	ب	be
p	پ	pe
t	ت	te
ṭ	ٹ	ṭe
s	ث	se
j	ج	jīm
č	چ	če
h	ح	baṛī he
x	خ	xe
d	د	dāl
ḍ	ڈ	ḍāl
z	ذ	zāl
r	ر	re
ṛ	ڑ	ṛe

English Letter /Symbol Equivalent	Urdu Letter	Name of the Urdu Letter
z	ز	ze
ž	ژ	že
s	س	sīn
š	ش	šīn
s	ص	svād
z	ض	zvād
t	ط	toe
z	ظ	zoe
‘	ع	‘ain
ğ	غ	ğain
f	ف	fe
q	ق	qāf
k	ک	kāf
g	گ	gāf
l	ل	lām

m	م	mīm
n	ن	nūn
ñ	ن	nūn ġunna
v	و	vāo
h, a	ہ	choṭī he (silent)
-h	ہ	do cašmī he
y	ی	choṭī ye baṛī ye



Long Vowels

ā	آ	alif madd
ū, o, au	و	vāo
ī, e, ai	ی	choṭī ye baṛī ye

Facts from the [Urdu Letters Video](#):

- Written from right to left
- 39 letters in the Urdu alphabet
- Various letters and symbols represent short & long vowels
- Usually written in the nasta'liq script
- When handwriting Urdu, I will be using naskh script (to learn why, watch the video 😊)

Short Vowels

a	اَ	zabar
i	اِ	zer
u	اُ	peš
	اَ	tašdīd
	ء	humzā
-an	اَ	tanvīn

