

Rapid Thai – Modern Fonts

| Traditional | Modern | Modern |
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| บ | ບ | U |
| ป | ປ | U |
| ข | ค | U |
| ด | ด | ด |
| ต | ต | ต |
| ค | ค | ด |
| ว | ວ | ວ |
| ร | ຣ | ຣ |
| ล | ລ | ລ |
| ง | ງ | ງ |
| ม | ມ | ມ |
| น | ນ | ນ |

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| ท | ທ | ທ |
| ก | ກ | ກ |
| พ | ພ | W |
| ฟ | ຟ | W |
| ผ | ຜ | W |
| ฝ | ຝ | W |
| อ | ອ | ອ |
| ห | ຮ | ຮ |
| ส ศ | ສ ຕ | ສ ດ |
| ช | ຮ | ຮ |
| ฉ | ຮ | ຮ |
| จ | ຈ | ຈ |

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| ย | ย | ຍ |
| ถ | ถ | ถ |
| ภ | ภ | ภ |
| ณ | ณ | ณ |
| ญ | ญ | ญ |
| ฒ | ฒ | ฒ |
| ฌ | ช | ช |
| จ | จ | จ |
| ช | ช | ช |
| ซ | ซ | ซ |
| ฮ | ฮ | ฮ |
| ฟ | ฟ | ฟ |

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| ฐ | ฐ | ฐ |
| ฑ | ฑ | ฑ |
| รร | รร | SS |
| ทร | ทร | ทร |
| ฎ | ฎ | ฎ |
| ฏ | ฏ | ฏ |
| ถ | ถ | ถ |

Only the highlighted letters are substantially different from the “classic” style. The rest are roughly the same but with bulges instead of circles.

Note that **w** has no indentation, in which case it’s the ladyboy version of the letter. Clearly **w** has the indentation showing that it is the girl version.

Tips: **๓** looks a bit like a cartoon ear, so think of a **wiggling** ear! **S** looks like an “S”, so think of a **snake** rearing its head. **ห** looks like an “h” with a dot, but **ห** looks like a “K” (especially when handwritten).

u is often identical in shape to **U** but just a little thinner.

๓ is often written like an “O”; and **๓** is like the **๓** but with something sticking out, so don’t confuse this with the girl “sticking out” letters.

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| อา | อา | อา |
| อะ | อะ | อะ |
| เอ แอ | เอ แอ | เอ แอ |
| โ | โ | โ |
| โ อ | โ อ | โ อ |
| อ๋ | อ๋ | อ๋ |
| อึ | อึ | อึ |
| อู | อู | อู |
| อู๋ | อู๋ | อู๋ |
| อุ อุ | อุ อุ | อุ อุ |

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| อ๋ | อ๋ | อ๋ |
| อึ | อึ | อึ |
| อู | อู | อู |
| อู๋ | อู๋ | อู๋ |
| อู๋ | อู๋ | อู๋ |

The only vowels that may cause a little confusing are the “igloo” vowels, and only when trying to distinguish between “puppy”, “chimney” and the “surfing” tone mark.

“Igloo” is just a short horizontal line above the consonant.

Note that the “puppy” has a vertical line on the left of the vowel, while “chimney” has it on the right.

The “surfing” tone mark is often a kind of “Z” or “2”.