

The Kryptonian writing system is an abugida. For our system that means that a symbol on its own will stand for a single consonant or a consonant followed by the *a* vowel. The glyph will then take diacritics to form the other consonant-vowel combinations. Certain sequences will require more than one glyph. Below is a table which illustrates the various consonant and vowel combinations:

	-A/—	-E	-I	-O	-U
Ø-	×	⤿	⤿	⤿	⤿
B-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
D-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
F-	✕	✕	✕	✕	✕
G-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
GW-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
K-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
KW-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
L-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
M-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
N-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
P-	✕	✕	✕	✕	✕
R-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
S-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
T-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
TH-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
V-	✕	✕	✕	✕	✕
W-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
Y-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌
Z-	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌	⌌

Certain sounds must be spelled with digraphs. Those are listed below. Please note that the way to type these sequences is provided in parentheses after the pronunciation on the left:

	-A/—	-E	-I	-O	-U
CH- (t _{sy})	ΣV	Σγ	Σ _γ	Σ ^o	Σ ^u
J- (d _{zy})	†V	†γ	† _γ	† ^o	† ^u
SH- (s _y)	OV	Oγ	O _γ	O ^o	O ^u
ZH- (z _y)	IV	Iγ	I _γ	I ^o	I ^u

Certain sounds have either varying realizations depending on placement or represent older sounds that are now pronounced differently. There are also multiple ways to spell a few sounds. Note that, again, the way to type these characters is provided in parentheses after the pronunciation on the left:

	-A/—	-E	-I	-O	-U
H- (h)	𐌿	𐌺	𐌶	𐌽	𐌾
H- (gh)	𐌻	𐌻	𐌷	𐌿	𐌿
HW- (hw)	𐌴	𐌴	𐌷	𐌴	𐌴
HW- (ghw)	𐌵	𐌵	𐌷	𐌵	𐌵
S-/KS- (ks)	𐌶	𐌶	𐌷	𐌶	𐌶
Z- (dh)	𐌷	𐌷	𐌷	𐌷	𐌷
Z-/GZ- (gz)	𐌸	𐌸	𐌸	𐌸	𐌸

Here's an example of a full sentence beginning with a paragraph start punctuation mark (see punctuation below):

[illegible]

Kryptonian uses a base-10 writing system. The numbers are below:

Roman	Krypt.	Roman	Krypt.	Roman	Krypt.	Roman	Krypt.
0	Ⅰ	6	Ⅴ	20	ㄱⅠ	80	ㄸⅠ
1	Ⅱ	7	Ⅵ	30	ㄴⅠ	90	ㄹⅠ
2	Ⅲ	8	ㄷ	40	ㄷⅠ	100	ⅡⅠⅠ
3	Ⅳ	9	Ⅶ	50	ㅇⅠ	101	ⅡⅠⅡ
4	Ⅴ	10	ⅢⅠ	60	ⅤⅠ	200	ㄱⅠⅠ
5	Ⅵ	11	ⅢⅡ	70	ⅥⅠ	1798	ⅡⅠㄸㄷ

Kryptonian also has the following punctuation marks, which occur either before a sentence, or in between words, in the case of the comma. There is no final punctuation in Kryptonian. Also, note the variant spelling for the paragraph start punctuation mark:

Roman	Kryptonian
Paragraph Start (. .)	◇
Sentence Start	◇
Question Start	{
Comma/Hyphen	..