

Speak Marathi! MarathiMitra's Jump Start Guide for Conversational Marathi

Vowels			Consonants					Consonant (k) + vowels using vowel signs				
अ a	उ u	ओ o	क k	ख kh	ग g	घ gh	ङ xn	अ a	क ka	ऐ ai	ै कै kai	
आ aa	ऊ oo	औ au	च ch	छ chh	ज j	झ z	ञ yn	आ aa	ा kaa	ओ o	ो को ko	
इ i	ए e	अं -N-or -M-	च cxh		ज jx	झ zh		इ i	ि ki	औ au	ौ कौ kau	
ई ee	ऐ ai	अः .ah	ट t	ठ tdh	ड d	ढ dhv	ण tn	ई ee	ी kee	अं -N-or -M-	ं कं k-N	
ऋ xru	ॠ lru		त tv	थ th	द dv	ध dh	न n	उ u	ु ku	अः .ah	ः कः k.ah	
			प p	फ f	ब b	भ bh	म m	ऊ oo	ू koo	ऋ xru	ृ कृ kru	
			य y	र r	ल l	व w	श sh	ए e	े ke	के lru		
			स s	ह h	ळ hl	क्ष ksh	ज्ञ dn					
						त्र tvr						

Common Expressions

Hello	na-ma-skaa-r		
Can you speak Marathi?	ma-raa-tdhi bo-la-tvaa ye-tva?	Not really	faa-ra-s naa-hi
How do you know him (her)?	aa-pa-tn tyaa-N-naa ka-se o-hla-kha-tvaa?	We studied in the same school.	aa-mhee dvo-ghe e-kaa-cha shaa-hle-tv shi-ka-lo.
How long are you in US?	aa-pa-tn e-the ki-tvee wa-r-shaa paa-soo-n a-haa-tv?	Around ten years.	dva-haa wa-R-sh
How long before this program starts?	haa program chaa-loo whaa-ya-laa a-joo-n ki-tvee we-hl aa-he?	Another 10 minutes	dva-haa mi-ni-taa-tv chaa-loo ho-ee-l
How was your trip here?	aa-pa-laa pra-waa-s ka-saa zaa-laa?	Good.	chhaa-n zaa-laa.
What are your plans for tonight?	aaj raa-tvree kaa-y ka-ra-tnaa-r?	Flight arrived here little late.	wi-maa-n tho-de oo-shi-raa po-ha-cha-le i-the.
What is your name?	aa-pa-la naa-w kaa-y?	I am invited to a dinner by my long time friend.	maa-zhyaa e-kaa ju-nyaa mi-tvraa-ne je-waa-ya-laa bo-laa-wa-le aa-he.
What's the time?	ki-tvee waa-ja-le?	I am	mee <name><last name>
When will this program finish?	haa program ka-dhi sa-M-pe-l?	9:15	sa-wwaa na-oo
Where are you from?	aa-pa-tn ku-tdhu-n aa-laa?	In an hour	e-kaa tvaa-saa-tv
Where is the next program?	hyaa na-N-tva-racxhaa kaa-r-ya-kra-m ku-tdhe aa-he?	Soon.	la-wa-ka-ra-ch
Which part of Maharashtra are you from?	aa-pa-tn Maharashtraachya ku-tdha-lyaa bhaa-gaa-tvoo-n a-haa-tv?	I am from ...	mee hoon aa-lo
		It is in a hall to the left.	daa-wee-ka-dee-l hall ma-dhe aa-he.
		I am from Aurangabad.	mee au-ra-N-gaa-baa-dva-chaa.

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Questions

<i>How</i>	ka-se	<i>What</i>	kaa-y	<i>When</i>	ka-dhee, ke-N-whaa
<i>Where</i>	ku-tdhe	<i>Who</i>	ko-tn	<i>Why</i>	kaa

Pronouns

<i>I</i>	mee	<i>We</i>	aa-mhee	<i>You</i>	tvoo, tvu-mhee
<i>He</i>	tvo	<i>She</i>	tvee	<i>It</i>	tve
<i>They</i>	tve (masc), tvyaa (fem)	<i>This</i>	he	<i>That</i>	tve
<i>These</i>	he (masc), hee (fem)	<i>Those</i>	tve (masc, neu), tvee (fem), tvyaa	<i>Here</i>	ithe
<i>There</i>	tvi-the				

Numbers

<i>One</i>	e-k (१)	<i>Two</i>	dvo-n (२)	<i>Three</i>	tvee-n (३)
<i>Four</i>	chaa-r (४)	<i>Five</i>	paa-ch (५)	<i>Six</i>	sa-haa (६)
<i>Seven</i>	saa-tv (७)	<i>Eight</i>	aa-tdh (८)	<i>Nine</i>	na-oo (९)
<i>Ten</i>	dva-haa (१०)	<i>One Hundred</i>	sha-M-bha-r (१००)	<i>One Thousand</i>	ek hazaar (१०००)

Verbs

<i>Drink</i>	pee	<i>Eat</i>	khaa	<i>Sleep</i>	zo-p
<i>Drive</i>	chaa-la-w	<i>Speak, Talk</i>	bo-l	<i>Go</i>	jaa
<i>Write</i>	li-hee	<i>Get</i>	aa-tn	<i>Give</i>	dve
<i>Do</i>	ka-r	<i>Use</i>	waa-pa-r	<i>Find</i>	sho-dh
<i>Hold</i>	dha-r	<i>Keep</i>	tdhe-w	<i>Leave</i>	so-d

Useful words

<i>Lunch or Dinner</i>	je-wa-tn	<i>Day</i>	dvi-wa-s	<i>Night</i>	raa-tvra
<i>Afternoon</i>	dvu-paa-r	<i>Morning</i>	sa-kaa-l	<i>Direction</i>	dvi-shaa
<i>Home, House</i>	gha-r	<i>Car</i>	gaa-dee	<i>Love</i>	pre-m
<i>Bride and groom</i>	wa-dhoo aa-tni wa-r	<i>Mother and father</i>	aa-ee aa-tni wa-dee-l	<i>Marriage, Wedding</i>	la-gna
<i>Relatives</i>	naa-tve-waa-ee-k	<i>Good</i>	chhaa-n	<i>Bad</i>	waa-eet
<i>OK</i>	tdhi-k	<i>Yes</i>	ho	<i>No</i>	naa-hee

Simple Sentences

1. Simple sentences follow SOV - subject object verb (verb root + modifier) order.
Example: I drink tea – mee (subject) cha-haa (object) pi-tvo (verb)
2. Add following modifiers to the any verb roots above to make Marathi verb according to the tense and gender of the subject.

Tense	Masculine	Feminine	Plural	Third Person
Simple present	tvo (तो)	tve (ते)	tvo (तो)	tvaa-tv (तात)
Simple past	lo (लो), laa (ला)	le (ले)	lo (लो)	le (ले)
Simple future	ee-n (ईन), e-n (एन)	ee-n (ईन)	oo (ऊ)	tvee-l (तील), e-l (एल)