

Double consonants

Double consonants (kk, pp, ss, and tt) are represented by small っ. As small っ indicates a one-syllable pause, the mouth prepares for the pronunciation of the next syllable.



Cat	
ne	ko
ね	こ



Town	
ma	chi



come here	
ki	te

ne	k	ko
ね	っ	こ
roots		



ma	c	chi
match		



ki	t	te
stamp		



sound	
o	to



sloping road	
sa	ka



pillow		
ma	ku	ra

o	t	to
husband		



sa	k	ka
novelist/writer		



ma	k	ku	ra
pitch - dark			

