

# VOWELS AS THE SOURCE OF CONSONANTS

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Vowel	consonant		name	tattva	element	class
	ह	ha	Śakti	35	<i>aparā visarga (prāṇa)</i>	pure elements
	स	sa	Sadāśiva	34	i-ness / i-ness	
	ष	ṣa	Īśvara	33	this-ness / i-ness	
	श	śa	Śuddha-vidyā	32	i-ness / this-ness	
	व	va	<i>māyā</i>	31	illusion	coverings ( <i>kañcukas</i> )
	ल	la	<i>kalā</i>	30	limited action	
	र	ra	<i>vidyā</i>	29	limited knowledge	
	य	ya	<i>rāga</i>	28	limited attachment	
	ल	la	<i>kāla</i>	27	limited time	
	य	ya	<i>niyati</i>	26	limited space	
u – ū  <i>unmeṣa ūnata</i>	म	ma	<i>puruṣa</i>	25	<i>jīva</i>	limited soul
	भ	bha	<i>prakṛti</i>	24	nature	nature
	ब	ba	<i>buddhi</i>	23	intellect	internal organs ( <i>antaḥ-karaṇas</i> )
	फ	pha	<i>ahamkāra</i>	22	ego	
	प	pa	<i>manas</i>	21	mind	
ī – ī  <i>ṣaṅṭha bīja</i>	न	na	<i>śrota</i>	20	ears	organs of knowledge ( <i>jñānen-driyas</i> )
	ध	dha	<i>tvaca</i>	19	skin	
	द	da	<i>cakṣu</i>	18	eyes	
	थ	tha	<i>rasana</i>	17	tongue (taste)	
	त	ta	<i>ghrāṇa</i>	16	nose	
ṛi – ṛī  <i>ṣaṅṭha bīja</i>	ण	ṇa	<i>vāk</i>	15	tongue (speech)	organs of action ( <i>karmen-driyas</i> )
	ह	ḥha	<i>pāṇi</i>	14	hands	
	ड	ḍa	<i>pāda</i>	13	feet	
	ठ	ṭha	<i>pāyu</i>	12	anus	
	ट	ṭa	<i>upastha</i>	11	sex organ	
i – ī  <i>īccha isāna</i>	ज	ña	<i>śabda</i>	10	sound	5 sensations ( <i>tanmātras</i> )
	झ	jha	<i>sparśa</i>	9	touch	
	ञ	ja	<i>rūpa</i>	8	sight	
	छ	cha	<i>rasa</i>	7	taste	
	च	ca	<i>gandha</i>	6	smell	
a – ā  <i>cit-ānanda</i>	उ	ña	<i>ākāśa</i>	5	ether	5 gross elements ( <i>mahā-bhūtas</i> )
	घ	gha	<i>vāyu</i>	4	air	
	ग	ga	<i>agni</i>	3	fire	
	ख	kha	<i>jāla</i>	2	water	
	क	ka	<i>pṛthvī</i>	1	earth	