Compelling example of Unicode usage for business applications

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This page demonstrates the use of the <u>Unicode Character Standard</u> to store names and places from anywhere in the world, in any language. Unicode is therefore the best choice for a database character set for companies that do business internationally. Unicode is also useful for creating multilingual documents, or simply to print forms (mailing labels, tickets, invoices) that might address customers of any ethnicity by their native name, anywhere in the world. (Also see: <u>Benefits of Unicode</u>.)

Look at the third and fourth columns in the table below. These are the birthplaces and native names of celebrities (actors, singers, sports figures, etc.). Only Unicode can be used to produce this list, store the names in a database, or address mail to everyone on the list. The first two columns tell you the English transliteration of the name and location.

Displaying this page

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Data file for this table

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- Inuktitut font,
- · James Kass' Code2000 font zip file,
- <u>Licensing and downloading Microsoft's "Arial Unicode MS" font</u> (click continue if you get a Yahoo ad page first).

The table now has 78 entries!

The names below are actual celebrities in their home countries. See how many you recognize.

Example Unicode Data

Origin (in English)	Name (English transliteration)	Origin (in native language)	Name (in native language)	
Armenia	Aram Khachatryan (composer)	Հայաստան	Արամ Խաչատրյան	
Australia	Nicole Kidman (actress)	Australia	Nicole Kidman	
Austria	Johann Strauss (The "waltz king")	Österreich	Johann Strauß	
Azerbaijan (Latin Script)	Vagif Samadoghlu (author)	Azərbaycan	Vaqif Səmədoğlu	
Azerbaijan (Cyrillic Script)	Vagif Samadoghlu (author)	Азәрбајчан	Вагиф Сәмәдоғлу	
Azerbaijan (Latin script)	Heydar Aliyev (president)	Azərbaycan	Heydər Əliyev	
Azerbaijan (Cyrillic script)	Heydar Aliyev (president)	Азәрбајчан	Һејдәр Әлијев	
Belgium (Flemish)	Rene Magritte (painter)	België	René Magritte	
Belgium (French)	Rene Magritte (painter)	Belgique	René Magritte	
Belgium (German)	Rene Magritte (painter)	Belgien	René Magritte	
Bhutan	Gonpo Dorji (film actor)	त्म _र ्ग-स [ु] व	अण [्] द्रम्पूर्यूर्	
Cambodia (Khmer)	Venerable PreahBuddhaghosachar Chuon Nath	ប្តូរទសេកម្ភពុជា	ព្រះពុទ្ធឋយៈោសាចារ្តយជ្ជនណាត	
Canada	Celine Dion (singer)	Canada	Céline Dion	
Canada - Nunavut (Inuktitut language)	Susan Aglukark (singer)	ᠣᠳᡒᡕ᠘ᠵ	ମ୍⁄ ବ୍ୟ⊃ _P Pଧ	
Southeast USA (Cherokee Nation)	Sequoyah (invented syllabary)	GWУ (Tsalagi)	ℴ⅌ℎℋ℮	
People's Rep. of China	ZHANG Ziyi (actress)	中国	章子怡	
People's Rep. of China	WONG Faye (singer)	中国	王菲	

Czechia (Czech Republic)	Antonin Dvorak (composer)	Česko (Česká republika)	Antonín Dvořák	
Denmark	Soren Hauch-Fausboll	Danmark	Søren Hauch-Fausbøll	
Denmark	Soren Kierkegaard (theologian 1813-1855)	Danmark	Søren Kierkegård	
Egypt (Masr)	Abdel Halim Hafez (singer)	يم حافظ مصر		
Egypt (Masr)	Om Kolthoum (singer)	مصر	عبدالحليم حافظ أم كلثوم	
Eritrea	Berhane Zeray	<mark>ኤ</mark> ርትራ	ብርሃን ዘርኣዖ	
Ethiopia	Haile Gebreselassie (Fastest man)	<u>ኢ</u> ትዮጵያ ኃይሌ 1ብረሥላሴ		
Finland	Mika Hakkinen (Formula 1 driver)	Suomi	Mika Häkkinen	
France	Gerard Depardieu (actor)	France	Gérard Depardieu	
France	Jean Reno (actor)	France	Jean Réno	
France	Camille Saint-Saens (composer)	France	Camille Saint-Saëns	
France	Mylene Demongeot (actress)	France	Mylène Demongeot	
France	Francois Truffaut (film director)	France	François Truffaut	
France (Braille)	Louis Braille	•• •0 •0 •• •0 •0 •0 •0 00 00 00 00 •0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00		
Georgia	Eduard Shevardnadze	საქართველო	ედუარდ შევარდნაძე	
Germany	Rudi Voeller (soccer coach)	Deutschland	Rudi Völler	
Germany	Walter Schultheiss (Actor)	Deutschland	Walter Schultheiß	
Greece (Hellas)	George Dalaras (Giorgos Dalaras)	Ελλάς	Γιώργος Νταλάρας	
Hungary	Andras Suto (author)	Magyarország András Sütő		
Iceland	Bjork Gudmundsdottir (singer)	Ísland Björk Guðmundsdóttir		
India (Hindi)	Madhuri Dixit (movie star)	भारत	माधुरी दीक्षि	
Iran (Persian/Farsi)	Mohsen Makhmalbaf (writer/director)	ايران	محسن مخملباف	

Ireland (Eire)	Sinead O'Connor (singer)	Éire	Sinéad O'Connor	
Israel	Yehoram Gaon (singer, actor)	ישראל	יהורם גאון	
Italy	Fabrizio DeAndre (poet, singer)	Italia	Fabrizio De André	
Japan	KUBOTA Toshinobu (singer)	日本	久保田 利伸	
Japan (kanji+hiragana)	HAYASHIBARA Megumi (voice actress)	日本	林原 めぐみ	
Japan (kanji)	MIYAZAKI Hayao (animated-film director)	日本	宮崎駿	
Japan (kanji)	MORI Ogai (author)	日本	森鷗外	
Japan (katakana)	Tex Texin (te-ku-su · te-ku-sa-n)	日本	テクス・テクサン	
Democratic People's Rep. of Korea (N. Korea)	LEE Sol-Hee (actress)	조선 민주주의 인민 공화국	이설희	
Rep. of Korea (S. Korea)	AHN Sung-Gi (actor)	대한민국	안성기	
Rep. of Korea (S. Korea)	SHIM Eun-Ha (actress)	대한민국	심은하	
Republic of Malta	Trevor Zahra (author)	Repubblika ta' Malta	Trevor Żahra	
Norway	Tor Age Bringsvaerd (author)	Norge (bokmål)	Tor Åge Bringsværd	
Norway	Herbjorn Sorebo (author)	Noreg (nynorsk)	Herbjørn Sørebø	
Pakistan (Urdu)	Nusrat Fatah Ali Khan (singer)	پاکستان	نصرت فتح على خان	
Peru	Nicomedes Santa Cruz (singer)	Perú	Nicómedes Santa Cruz	
Poland	Lech Walesa	Polska	Lech Wałęsa	
Portugal	Amalia Rodrigues (singer)	Portugal	Amália Rodrigues	
Puerto Rico	Olga Tanon (singer, merenguera)	Puerto Rico	Olga Tañón	
Ancient Rome	Publius Cornelius Scipio Africanus (general & politician, 236-183 B.C.)	Rōma	Pūblius Cornēlius Scīpiō Africānus	

Russia	Mikhail Gorbachev	Россия	Михаил Горбачёв	
Russia	Boris Grebenshchikov (musician)	Россия	Борис Гребенщиков	
Russia (Yiddish, Hebrew Script)	Sholom Aleichem (Author)	רוסלאַנד	שלום עליכם	
Samiland (Sami language)	Nils Aslak Valkeapaa (singer)	Sápmi	Áillohaš (aka Nils Aslak Valkeapää)	
Slovakia	Ludovit Stur	Slovensko	Ľudovít Štúr	
Slovenia	Frane "Jezek" Milcinski (actor, singer)	Slovenija	Frane Milčinski - Ježek	
Sweden	Bjorn Borg (Tennis player)	Sverige	Björn Borg	
Syracuse (Sicily)	Archimedes (physicist c. 287-212 BC)	Συρακούσα	Άρχιμήδης	
Tajikistan (Arabic script)	Sadriddin Aini (poet)	تاجيكستان	صدر الدين عيني	
Tajikistan (Cyrillic script)	Sadriddin Aini (poet)	Точикистон	Садриддин Айнӣ	
Tamil Nadu	Sivaji Ganesan (actor)	தமிழ் நாடு	சிவாஜி கனேசன்	
Rep. of China	Hsu Chi (actress)	臺灣 舒淇		
Rep. of China	Ang Lee (movie director)	臺灣	李安	
Thailand	Thongchai McIntai	ประเทศไทย	ธงไชย แม็คอินไตย์	
U.S.A.	Brad Pitt (actor)	U.S.A.	Brad Pitt	
Uzbekistan (Cyrillic script)	Solizhon Sharipov (cosmonaut)	Ўзбекистон	Солижон Шарипов	
Uzbekistan (Latin script)	Ali Sher ibn Ghiyas ad- Din Nava'i (poet)	O'zbekiston	Alisher ibn G'iyosiddin Navoiy	
Viet Nam	Trinh Cong Son (singer/composer)	Việt Nam	Trịnh Công Sơn	
Yugoslavia (Latin script)	Djordje Balasevic (singer)	Jugoslavija	Đorđe Balašević	
Yugoslavia (Cyrillic script)	Djordje Balasevic (singer)	Југославија Ђорђе Балашевић		

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