Thai tone rules chart

Find the class of the first consonant for the column. Then check whether the syllable is live or dead and which tone mark it has for the row. The cell where they meet holds the tone, with a real word for it.

	Mid class	High class	Low class
Live no mark	Mid Tone กา **gaa** crow	Rising Tone ขา **khaa** leg	Mid Tone คา **khaa** to be stuck fast
Live ◌่ mai ek	Low Tone ป่า **bpaa** forest	Low Tone ข่า **khaa** galangal	Falling Tone ค่า **khaa** value, cost
Live ◌้ mai tho	Falling Tone บ้าน **baan** house	Falling Tone ห้า **haa** five	High Tone ม้า **maa** horse
Dead, short vowel no mark	Low Tone จะ **ja** will (marks the future)	Low Tone ผัด **phat** to stir-fry	High Tone นะ **na** softening particle at the end of a sentence
Dead, long vowel no mark	Low Tone ปาก **bpaak** mouth	Low Tone ถูก **thuuk** cheap; also "correct"	Falling Tone มาก **maak** much, very

Every word is a real Thai word, and its tone follows from the rules above.

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