

Additional Hiragana

kya—きや

きやく

sha—しや

しやしん

cha—ちや

かぼちや

nya—にや

にやあご

hya—ひや

ひやく

kyu—きゆ

きゆう

shu—しゆ

こんしゆう

chu—ちゆ

ちゆうごく

nyu—にゆ

ぎゆうにゆう

hyu—ひゆ

ひゆ—つ

kyo—きよ

きょうかしよ

sho—しよ

きょうかしよ

cho—ちよ

ちようちよう

nyo—によ

にようぼう

hyo—ひよ

ひようが

Days of the week

Getsu- yōbi	げつようび	月曜日	Monday
Ka- yōbi	かようび	火曜日	Tuesday
Sui- yōbi	すいようび	水曜日	Wednesday
Moku- yōbi	もくようび	木曜日	Thursday
Kin- yōbi	きんようび	金曜日	Friday
Do- yōbi	どようび	土曜日	Saturday
Nichi- yōbi	にちようび	日曜日	Sunday

Practice

Practice saying the hours of the day by adding 'han'

ichi-ji	1:30	いちじーはん
ni-ji	2:30	にじーはん
san-ji	3:30	さんじーはん
yo-ji	4:30	よじーはん
go-ji	5:30	ごじーはん
roku-ji	6:30	ろくじーはん
shichi-ji	7:30	しちじーはん
hachi-ji	8:30	はちじーはん
ku-ji	9:30	くじーはん
jū-ji	10:30	じゅうじーはん
jū-ichi-ji	11:30	じゅういちじーはん
jū-ni-ji	12:30	じゅうにじーはん

~han

The word '**han**' means half but refers to thirty minutes when it is added after the time counter '**ji**'. Ichi-ji-han means 1:30 or one hour and thirty minutes.

<i>e.g.</i>	Gozen ichi-ji han	<i>1:30 A.M.</i>
	ごぜん いち じ はん	
	Gogo hachi-ji han	<i>8:30 P.M.</i>
	ごご はち じ はん	

~*kai*

ik-kai	いっかい	1 st floor
ni-kai	にかい	2 nd floor
san-gai	さんがい	3 rd floor
yon-kai	よんかい	4 th floor
go-kai	ごかい	5 th floor
rok-kai	ろっかい	6 th floor
nana-kai	ななかい	7 th floor
hak-kai	はちかい/はっかい	8 th floor
<u>kyū-kai</u>	きゅうかい	9 th floor
juk-kai	じゅっかい	10 th floor
jū-ik-kai	じゅういっかい	11 th floor

~Kai/gai

‘Kai’ or sometimes pronounced as **‘gai’** is a counter suffix used for counting floors of a building.

e.g. Kono biru wa nan kai desu ka.

このビルは何かいですか。

How many floors are there in the building?

Kurasu wa san-gai dewa arimasen.

クラスはさんがいではありません。

The class is not on the 3rd floor.

Kanji

分	pun / fun	ふん / ぶん	minutes (4 – strokes)
半	han	はん	half (5 – strokes)
月	tsuki / getsu	つき / げつ	moon month

Kanji

火

hi / ka

ひ/か

fire

(4 – strokes)

水

mizu / sui

みず/すい

water

(4 – strokes)

曜

you

よう

day

(18 – strokes)

今

ima

いま

now

Some new words with kanji characters

部分	bubun	ぶぶん	portion
自分	jibun	じぶん	one's-self
半分	hanbun	はんぶん	half
半年	hantoshi	はんとし	6 months
日にち	hi-nichi	ひにち	day date
一日	ichi-nichi	いちにち	one-day
二、三日	ni-san-nichi	にさんにち	2/3 days

Some more words with kanji characters

一月	ichigatsu	いちがつ	January
一月	hitotsuki	ひとつき	one month
火山	kazan	かざん	volcano
火	hi	ひ	fire
花火	hanabi	はなび	fire works
水	mizu	みず	water
水泳	suiei	すいえい	swimming
水道	suidō	すいどう	water-supply

Ne

Particle '*ne*' is a confirmation seeker and used to solicit agreement from the listener, or to make sure he is following the conversation. It is used in the end of a sentence with a rising intonation and expects a response and confirmation from the listener that he is in agreement to what is being said. '*Ne*' is equivalent to '*isn't it*', '*right*' and '*don't you agree*' in English.

e.g. Tanaka san wa gakusei desu ne *Isn't Tanaka san a student.*
Roku-ji desu ne *Isn't it 6 o'clock.*

~pun / fun

The counter for minutes is “pun” or “fun” as given below

Ip-pun	one minute	いっぶん
ni-fun	two minutes	にぶん
san-pun	three minutes	さんぶん
yon-pun	four minutes	よんぶん
go-fun	five minutes	ごぶん
rop-pun	six minutes	ろっぶん
nana-fun	seven minutes	ななぶん
hap-pun	eight minutes	はっぶん
kyū-fun	nine minutes	きゅうぶん
jup-pun	ten minutes	じゅっぶん
jū-go-fun	fifteen minutes	じゅうごぶん
san-juppun / <i>han</i>	<i>thirty minutes</i>	さんじゅっぶん
<i>nan pun?</i>	<i>How many minutes?</i>	<i>なんぶん</i>

~pun / fun

Two readings *'pun'* and *'fun'* (分) are used to tell minutes and the counter suffix is used after the time counter *'ji'*. *'Fun'* is used after the numbers 2, 5, 7, and 9 whereas *'pun'* which is the other reading of the same counter is used after the numbers 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10. Ten minutes can be written as *juppun/jippun* both. *Ichiji-go-fun* and *ichiji-juppun* corresponds to five minutes and ten minutes past one respectively.

e.g. *Juppun/jippun*

Ten minutes.

Ichiji-go-hun

Fifteen minutes past one.

Gogo ni-ji san-jū-go fun

2:15 PM.

Time expressions

Ototoi	おととい	day before yesterday
Kinō	きのう	yesterday
Kyō	きょう	today
Ashita	あした	tomorrow
Asatte	あさって	day after tomorrow

Vocabulary

undōkai	うんどうかい	athletic meet
ban-gohan	ばんごはん	dinner
juku	じゅく	coaching school
kyō-shitsu	きょうしつ	class-room
kaigi-shitsu	かいぎしつ	conference room
heya	へや	room
yakyū	やきゅう	baseball
jugyō	じゅぎょう	lesson, class