

On the Subject of Remembering Dragon Energy

With the help of the Genki Plus textbook and a few made-up examples, all of these characters should be much easier to see and remember!

Let's face it — describing the character on the module can be difficult. But, this character reference for “Dragon Energy” will make the module’s characters easier to visualize.

This character reference does not include the rules of the module, but only a mnemonic for each of the 30 characters and the applied Venn diagram on the last page. Refer to the original manual for the rest of the rules.

These next six pages consist of these columns.

- First column is the original Traditional Chinese characters on the module.
- Second column is the English meaning of the character.
- Third column is the pictogram description.
- Fourth column is the best possible name to remember the character.

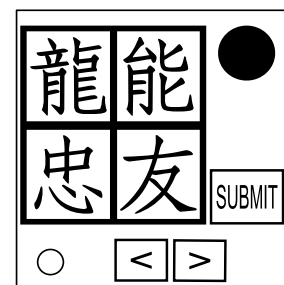
Most examples on the third column include italicized quotes and pictures from the textbook: “[Genki Plus: Kanji Look and Learn](http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/kanji-look-and-learn_en/) (http://genki.japantimes.co.jp/kanji-look-and-learn_en/)” by Japan Times™. The breakdown for each character in the “Dragon Energy” module is described with **Japanese katakana letters and kanji**. The Reference Tables 1 and 2 are only used to further visualize the shape of the characters on the module that can be easy to remember.

Reference Table 1: Japanese Katakana

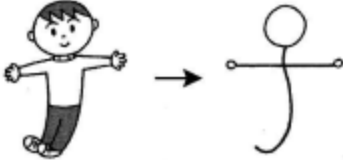

ク	タ	ニ	ヒ	ム	ヨ
ku	ta	ni	hi	mu	yo

Reference Table 2: Kanji Characters and Radicals

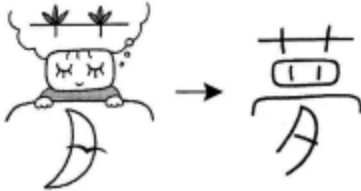
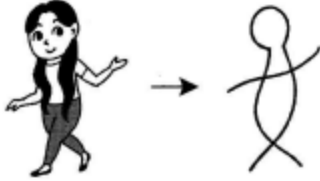
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moon	tree	insect	samurai	mouth	oni devil	small	small forest	measure
心	田	米	百	立	中	豆	又	工
heart	rice field	rice	100	stand tall	middle	bean	furthermore	craft



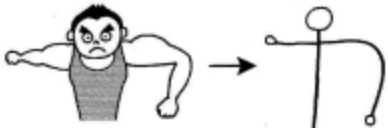
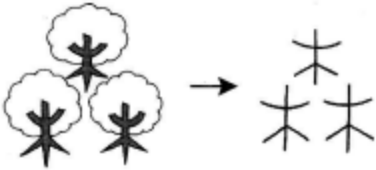
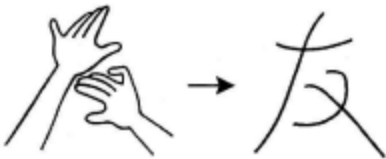
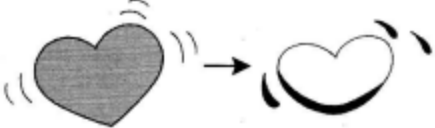
Row 1

Module Character	Character Meaning	Pictogram Descriptions	Best Description
怒	Angry	<u>From Top to Bottom:</u> “Furthermore 「又」, this is a woman 「女」 on top of her heart 「心」。”	Woman's Heart
福	Blessing	<u>Right Half (Top-to-Bottom):</u> “It is a blessing that I got to eat a mouthful 「口」 of rice from the rice fields 「田」 !!”	A Mouthful of Rice
子	Child	Imagine having a child sticking his arms out and wanting a hug.  Alternatively, this can be seen as the child doing the T-Pose.	Hugging child or T-Posing Child
咒	Curse	“I am sad that I got cursed. ” 	Frowny Face
喜	Delight	<u>From Top to Bottom:</u> “A delighted samurai 「士」 puts a spoonful of his favorite beans 「豆」 into his mouth 「口」。”	Samurai Eating Beans

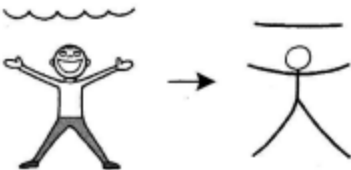
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Module Character	Character Meaning	Pictogram Descriptions	Best Description
龍	Dragon	<u>From Right to Left, Top to Bottom:</u> “A dragon is standing tall 「立」 under the moon 「月」。”	Tall Night Dragon
夢	Dream	“In the evening 「夕」, I had a dream of the field 「田」。” 	Sleepyhead
感	Emotion	<u>From Bottom to Top:</u> An emotionally shy person has a big heart 「心」 and a small mouth 「口」。	Shy Personality
能	Energy	<u>From Bottom-Left going Clockwise:</u> The moon 「月」 surrounded by one mu 「ム」 and two hi's 「ヒ」 creates energy.	Big Moon
女	Female	“This is the shape of a woman”  Imagine a woman showing her way. Alternatively, this can be seen as two curved lines touching a horizontal line.	Walking Woman or Two Curves, One Line

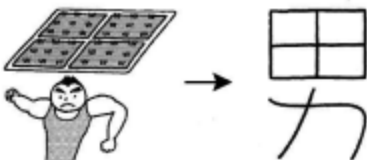
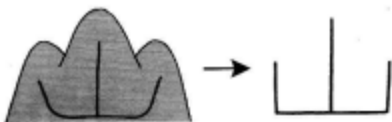

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力	Force	<p><i>"A muscular man has power."</i></p>  <p>Alternatively, this looks like the katakana "<i>ka</i>" 「力」。</p>	Strong man or Katakana "Ka"
森	Forest	<p><i>"Three trees (木) become a forest."</i></p> 	Three Standing Trees
友	Friend	<p><i>"Friends give each other a helping hand."</i></p> 	Helping Hands
懟	Hate	<p><u>Top Right + Bottom:</u> <i>"Cardiologists hate him! A villager measured 「寸」 his great heart 「心」! It was so big that it sank to the bottom! Learn the truth now!"</i></p>	Bottom Heart
心	Heart	<p><i>"My heart beats."</i></p> 	Beating Heart

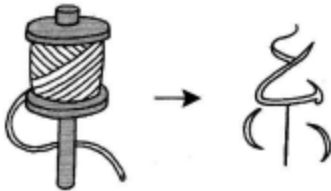
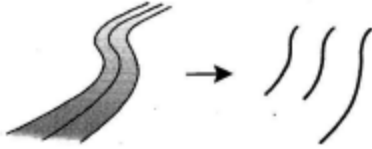

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Module Character	Character Meaning	Pictogram Descriptions	Best Description
天	Heaven	<p><i>"I look up to heaven with my hands wide open."</i></p>  <p>Alternatively, this character is also called "The Skies."</p>	The Heavens or The Skies
願	Hope	<p><u>Bottom Left + Right Half:</u></p> <p>"I have some small 「小」 hope! One hundred 「百」 percent!"</p>	100 Percent
類	Kind	<p><u>Top Left + Right Half:</u></p> <p>"My neighbor gave me a hundred 「百」 bags of rice 「米」 today! How kind of him!"</p>	100 Bags of Rice
壽	Longevity	<p><u>From Top to Bottom:</u></p> <p>"I would like to reward a longer life (longevity) to the one and only samurai 「士」 for his spectacular crafting 「工」 and measurement skills 「寸」."</p>	Samurai's Crafting
愛	Love	<p><u>From Bottom to Top:</u></p> <p>"Furthermore 「又」, I can see your loving heart 「心」 beat."</p> <p>The Japanese onomatopoeia for a beating heart is ドキドキ (Doki Doki). When your heart goes doki doki, you feel excited.</p>	Doki Doki or Excitement

Row 5

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忠	Loyal	From Top to Bottom: “I am loyal to the middle 「中」 of my heart 「心」.”	Middle Heart
魔	Magic	From Top to Bottom: Under the roof of a magic house, lies a small forest 「林」 where the oni 「鬼」 lives.	Oni's Forest Home
男	Male	“A man works powerfully 「力」 in the rice field 「田」.” 	Rice Field Worker
山	Mountain	“This is the shape of a mountain .”  Alternatively, this can be seen as four perfectly straight lines.	Mountain or Four Straight Lines
晚	Night	“A child hurries home before night comes.”  We can clearly see the child running in sunset.	Sprinting Chold or Running in the Sunset

Row 6

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純	Pure	<p>Left Half: <i>"This is the shape of the (pure) thread on a spool."</i></p> 	A Spool of Thread
川	River	<p><i>"The river runs through it."</i></p>  <p>Alternatively, this can be seen as three lines.</p>	Water Stream or Three Lines
魂	Soul	<p>From Left to Right, Top to Bottom: Katakana <i>mu</i> 「ム」 and <i>ni</i> 「ニ」 are fighting against a big oni 「鬼」.</p>	Big Oni or Oni's Soul
急	Urgency	<p>From Top to Bottom: Katakana <i>ku</i> 「ク」 and <i>yo</i> 「ヨ」 makes the <i>heart</i> 「心」 look squished.</p>	Squished Heart
風	Wind	<p><i>"An insect 「虫」 is blocking the wind with a leaf."</i></p> 	Windy Bug

Mnemonic Venn Diagram