

Japanese Simple Sentences

Words & Phrases

- What? → nani?
- desu → is, am, are

Eg: Nan desu ka → What is it?

1. Concept of desu:-

It is, they are, I am, he is, she is

Eg: Neko desu → It is a dog
Tanaka desu → He is Tanaka

2. Concept of desu ka:-

Eg: Inu desu ka → Is it a dog?
Tanaka-san desu ka → Are you Tanaka? [If we are asking that person directly]
Amerika jin desu ka → Are you American?

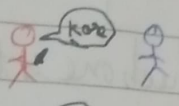
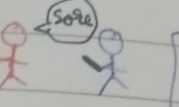
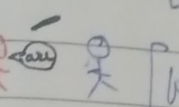
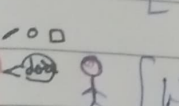
3. Concept of iie & hai:- iie → no, ie → howe, hai → yes

Eg: Question:- Neko desu ka? (or) Question:- Inu desu ka
Reply:- Hai, neko desu. Reply:- Iie, neko desu

Japanese Demonstrative Pronouns


Words & Phrases:-

- This → kore
- ~~that~~ → that → sore
- that over there → are
(far away object)
- which one? → dore

- 1) kore:-  [When you are holding item/pointing something near] object
- 2) sore:-  [When other person holding item & you point to that]
- 3) are:-  [When object is far away from both persons]
- 4) dore:-  [When you have to choose from more objects]

Eg:- Neko desu → It is a cat

- kore wa neko desu → This is a cat
- sore wa neko desu → That is a cat [the other holding cat]
- are wa neko desu → That's a cat [cat is far away]


Eg: Kore wa nan desu ka → What is this?  → apple

Sore wa apple desu → That is an apple

→ [When a person holding an apple asks what is this [kore]
→ The other replies by pointing to that apple [sore]

→ vegetable
Yasai desu ka → Is it a vegetable

→ Iie, furutsu desu → No, it's a fruit

→ 
Sore wa atama desu ka → Is that a head?

→ Iie, ~~te~~ te desu → No, it's a hand

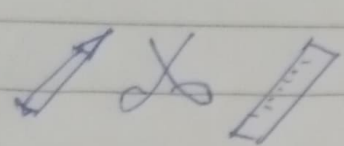
→ Wabari masen → I don't know

classmate
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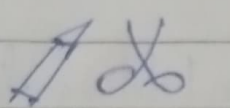
Concept of wa :-

wa → (Written as ha / (t))
here, wa is a topic marker

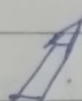
- ① Kore, sore, are → 1 thing
dore → 3 things / more
dochi → 2 things

Eg:-  [3 things]

Pen wa dore desu ka. → Which one is the pen?

 [2 things]

Pen wa dochi desu ka → ~ ~ ~ ~ ?

 [1 thing]

Pen wa wa kochi desu ka → Is it a pen?

② Similarly, we have :- kochi, sochi, acchi → 1 thing
(this) (that) (that over there)