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In search of more efficient ways to learn languages.



I asked Sandra Salsbury (the main artist for the Most Awesome Lists) if I could commission her to create images that could be used to learn the 7 days of the week in any language without using translations. She delivered some wonderful paintings. Enjoy!

Sunday:





Translations by Transposh (You can help) English

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Wednesday:



Thursday:



Friday:



Saturday:



Here is another format so the week starts on Monday

Monday:



Tuesday:



Wednesday:



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Sunday:



Images for the Days of the Week

September 16, 2014

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forever.com/images-days-week/]

14 Replies

14 thoughts on "Images for the Days of the Week"



Eddie Rivers

September 18, 2014 at 8:23 pm

Purchased your book and i am very pleased its information. Really makes learning a new language lots of fun.



James September 19, 2014 at 11:10 am

Nice series for us yanks. I believe most of Western Europe thinks the week starts with Monday though.



Marco

March 20, 2015 at 6:24 am

Isn't that why they call it weekEND, so at the end of the week it is Saturday and Sunday?



Jacki

September 4, 2015 at 7:33 am

No we don't.



September 20, 2014 at 7:33 am

So in Chinese these images are not quite as helpful – the first day of the week is Monday (instead of the Sun-Sat week, their week is Mon-Sun). Monday = Xīngqí yī (week 1) Maybe reorienting the dates on the bottom would be helpful in that case. If you truly want to "think" in Chinese it is helpful to view Monday as the first/starting day of the week.



Catherine

September 21, 2014 at 7:43 pm

Not everyone works, you know? 69





September 22, 2014 at 1:13 am

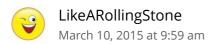
These are great – and thanks for the plan to have a 'Monday first' series. It sounds like a small thing but I get sooo confused when I have to use a calendar where the week starts with a Sunday! It just makes sense to me to have the weekend days together...



Gabriel Wyner | Post author

September 23, 2014 at 11:09 am

Regarding the day of the week image issues we just commissioned new versions this week and it should be ready in about a week.



Hello, Gabriel.

Great site, and great images.

I have a question. People are supposed to make their own images, I know, but it takes time, and I wonder what you think about beginning to sell a deck a white flashcards that have an image on one side and let's the user write (with a crayon or pencil) the name of the word on the other side, for the 625 words?



Gabriel Wyner Post author
March 10, 2015 at 2:48 pm

@LikeaRollingStone That's partially what the trainers are but as far as word list goes, the point is to make your own because it helps your learning process

-Rachel (assistant)



vedalia

June 3, 2015 at 6:40 am

The drawings are great, but quite culturally biased. For instance, for Arabic (and certain Muslim countries), I would expect to see Thursday as the end of the work week instead of Friday, and Sunday as the start of the week instead on Monday. Drinking in a bar might not be the best example for a typical Saturday night activity either!



Liz Waite

June 6, 2015 at 2:46 am

These are great! Arigato-gozimasu, Sore wa arigataidesu



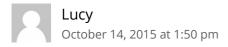
Communicator

October 10, 2015 at 8:21 am

Thanks! These are great.

As far as the image fitting the day of the week.... just rearrange the image to fit your personal image or mood for that day of the week or find your own that fits your mood for that day. For example for me, Wednesday is

Tai Chi evening, Saturday is a shopping/cleaning/work on Anki decks/study MOOCs day for me, while Sunday is Church, visit friends, park ormuseum/ as well as a continuation of work on Anki decks/study MOOCs day.



Great idea! Fellow (modern) Hebrew learners will want to modify the images. Our weekend is Friday and Saturday, making Sunday the first day of the work week and Tuesday "Hump Day."

For those willing to substitute own calendar highlights and numbers for the calendar strip at the bottom, using numbers 1 through 7 (instead of 19-26) for the dates could take advantage of an inherent mnemonic – many days of the week are named the number position the day holds in the week (with Sunday as #1).