

Vocabulary

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Do note, There will be duplicates, Japanese is just that way. Also note that this is a list that **will not provide all kanji nor all possible kanji readings**; there are simply too many to put into a single list. Instead, this list tries to be a large repository for the Japanese learner providing the most common kanji used for specific words and ideas. This also means that this list will try to give the most common readings for these kanji. This is an difficult task and there will be mistakes made, but I will still try to preserve the specificity that each kanji has within the **Notes** Section of the list when necessary. As for Mnemonics, these are for the learner's benefit but are not absolutely necessary for growth.

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Note: Please use search functionality, I don't want you to torture yourself.

Type	English	Kanji	Hira/katagana	Radical Equations	Mnemonics	Notes
Noun	Phone	電話	でんわ		Go get your phone, but then what?	
Noun	Number	番号	ばんごう		pull your number, and get a bongo in the auction	The kanji here can be seperated and made into their meaning of the work
Noun	Me	私	わたし		What about me?	Made up of kanji that
Noun	Friend	友	とも		no more my friend.	
Noun	Friend	友達	ともたち		no more touchy friend	
Title	Mr./Ms./Mz.	N/A	さん		Do you want to give the mr man a san dwich	This serves as a title for those who are above you in social heirarchy
Determiner	This one	此れ	これ		this one is coral?	
Determiner	That one	其れ	それ		So , Can I have that one?	
Determiner	That over There	彼	あれ		ah, eh , that one over there	
Determiner	Which one	何れ	どれ		Which one comes first? is it do re mi fa...	
Determiner	this...	此の	この		this is the corner where the cat excreated	

Determiner	that...	其の	その		that sonar on the sub-marines is dangerous to wildlife	
Determiner	that... (over there)	彼の	あの		that over there has only been there for an ano (spanish for year)	
Determiner	which...	何の	どの		I donno which to choose.	
Determiner	here	此処	ここ		here is koko my dog	The hiragana is more commonly written compared to the kanji, and this kanji seems to be here solely to serve the purpose of a determiner
Verb	Get up (from sleep)	起きる	おきる			
Verb	See	見る	みる			This is a general verb that typically means a percieve something with the sense of vison or can be used in a metaphorical way (ex. "he watches over her as her parent")
Verb	Speak	話す	はなす			
Verb	Listen	聞く	きく			
Verb	Go	行く	いく			
Verb	Read	読む	よむ			
Verb	Drink	飲む	のむ			
Verb	To return	帰る	かえる			This can also imply the act of returning to home without explicit declaration of the location
Verb	Come	来る	くる			This is an Irregular Verb
Noun	Dinner		ばんごはん			
Verb	Do	為る	する			This is an Irregular Verb

Verb	Study (to do studies)	研究	けんきょう			This is actually a verb acting upon a noun. This is an example of how one can use the verb "to do" in various situations, serving as a copula.
Determiner	there	其処	そこ		there is soko my other dog	The hiragana is more commonly written compared to the kanji, and this kanji seems to be here solely to serve the purpose of a determiner
Determiner	over there	彼処	あそこ		and over there by the barn is my third dog, asoko	The hiragana is more commonly written compared to the kanji,
Determiner	where	何処	どこ		now where is doko ?	The hiragana is more commonly written compared to the kanji,
Determiner	who	誰	だれ		da, reh , who knows!	
Determiner	how much, as much	幾ら	いくら		how much does this equal ?	The kanji really serves more like a way to mark quantity, doesn't rely on any particular context. Usually written in kana
Noun	Umbrella	傘	かさ		You can leave your umbrella in the casa (spanish for house), it is sunny.	This kanji can also resolve to the general idea of being under something, whether it be literally or metaphorically
Noun	Breakfast		あさごはん			
Noun	Lunch		ひるごはん			

Noun	Bag	鞆	かばん		We take our bags into the cabin for the long night	
Noun	Present	贈り物	おくりもの			As in, a gift.
Question Word/Adverb	how; in what way; how about	如何	どうし		does it matter how the nanny does her job?	
Suffix	Hour, o'clock, time	時	じ		It's peanut butter Jelly time	This kanji has multiple Common Readings.
Noun	Watch	時計	とけい		It's "Token" time!	
Adverb	now; the present time; just now; soon; immediately	今	いま		ima go now.	
Noun	Book	本	ほん		That's the book with hon solo!	
Noun	Father	お父さん	おとうさん			
Noun	Mother	お母さん	おかあさん			
Noun	Shoe	靴	くつ		Such a cute shoe !	
Noun	Vegetable	野菜	やさい			
Noun 一	Cat	猫	ねこ			
Noun	Computer	電子計算機	コンピュータ			The kanji here is not as common as the katagana
Verb	Design	設計	せつけい			The verb design also has a katagana translation
Noun	Design	設計	デザイン			
Noun	Design	模様	もよう			This serves more as a description via perception rather than a design itself
Noun	Screen	網戸	あみど			As in, Window bug screen
Noun	Screen	画面	がめん			As in, TV screen
Verb	Play	遊ぶ	あそぶ			As in, enjoy ones' self
Verb	Play	弾く	ひく			As in, Play an instrument

Noun	Play	芝居	しばい			As in, a play drama or acting
Noun	Play	戯曲	ぎきょく			As in, a play or drama
Verb	To eat	食べる	たべる		I need to feed my tummy with a baby ruth	
Noun	Soup	汁	スープ			The kanji here serves as a Suffix. For example Bean soup.
Noun	Food	食	くう			This kanji also serves as the verb "to eat"
Noun	Population	人口	じんこう		Is cold gin popular among this population?	
Noun	Common Talk	人口	じんこう			
Noun	Wallet	財布	さいふ			
Noun	Box	箱	はこ			
Noun	Suit(dress)	N/A	スーツ			
Verb	To Suit, To fit,	適する				This verb uses the kanji that means something that is qualified to do something. "The scaple suited the doctor's needs"
Noun	Money	お金	おかね			
Noun	Yen	円	えん			
Noun	Milk	牛乳	ぎゅうにゅう			As in, milk from a cow
Noun	Egg	卵	たまご			
Noun	Pencil	鉛筆	えんぴつ			
Noun	Hat	帽子	ぼうし			
Noun	Teacher	先生	せんせい			
Noun	Chair	椅子	いす			
Noun	Ice Cream	N/A	アイスクリーム			
Verb	To do	為る	する			
Verb	To Sleep	寝る	ねる			
Verb	To Sleep	眠る	ねむる			This verb can be used as a euphemism for death or idleness
Verb	To cry	泣く	なく			The pronunciation here can also attributed to 鳴く which

						describes animal cries/noises
Verb	To carry	運ぶ	はこぶ			
Verb	To Have, Possess	持つ	もつ			This can mean the general idea to have but also the idea of control and durability
Verb	To want	求める	もとめる			This also can serve as a way to describe a search
Verb	To like	好む	このむ			
Verb	To like	気に入る	きにいる			This can express explicit delight or pleasure found within something, a highetend likeness.
Verb	To recieve	頂く	いただく			This means to receive via various means, i.e. receive water into your body, to recieve by buying etc...
Verb	To buy	買う	かう			This can also mean to have high percieved value of something or someone
Verb	To turn	回す	まわす			This can also refer to the transportation or appointment of someone or something.
Verb	To program					
Verb	To direct	言いつける	いいつける			Also can be used to report
Verb	To assist	手伝う	てつだ			A more casual aissistence
Verb	To assist	助ける	たすける			Can serve to mean like saving a life
Verb	To raise	育てる	そだてる			As in raising a child
Verb	To build	建てる	だてる			As in, build a building
Noun	Development	発達	はつたつ			There are also many normalizations of verbs that serve as this noun

Verb	To happen	起こる	おこる			
Verb	To pass	通り過ぎる	とおりすぎる			As in, to move beyond
Verb	To yearn	慕う	したう			
Verb	To say	言う	いう			
Adjective	Cold	寒い	さむい			As in, Cold weather and figurative cold. "that was cold joke," this however has no inherent bad connotation, only when used that way
Adjective	Cold	冷たい	つめたい			As in, something is physically cold
Adjective	Warm	暖かい	あたたかい			As in, something is physically warm
Verb	To Sell	売る	うる		oooooooo, you sell this?	
Adjective	Large	大型	おおがた			There are many translations for this word in japanese
Adjective	Small	小さい	ちいさい			There are many translations for this word in japanese
Verb	To understand	分かる	わかる			
Adverb	Slowly	N/A	ゆっくり			
Adjective	Slow	遅い	おそい			Time consuming, sluggish, late
Adjective	Slow	徐々	じよじよ			Slow and composed, calm
Adverb	Rapidly	急に	きゆうに			sudden, abruptly, hastily
Adjective	Rapid	急速	きゆそく			As in, rapid progress
Adjective	Fast	早い	はやい		The taekwondo leaders yell hai'yai to go faster when executing motions	
Verb	To wait	待つ	まつ		I can't wait to get ma shoe	

Verb	To miss	懐かしむ	なつかしむ			As in, the feeling of missing something or someone. Miss is an odd word that has many overlapping translations and has a broader meaning than in english.
Verb	To miss	逸れる	それる			As in, missing the target. Miss is an odd word that has many overlapping translations and has a broader meaning than in english.
Noun	Door	扉	とびら			There are quite a few translations for this.
Noun	Keyboard	N/A	キーボード			As in, piano-like keyboard
Noun	Piano	N/A	ピアノ			
Noun	Manager	社長	しゃちょう			
Verb	To manage	取り締まる	とりします			
Adjective	Good	N/A	いい			
Adjective	Early	早い	はやい			
Noun	Bowl	鉢	はち			As in, cereal bowl or other pot like container
Verb	To Serve	盛る	もる			As in, serve on a plate, to dish out.
Noun	Sword	刀	かたな			
Noun	Coffee	珈琲	珈琲			Usually written with kana alone
Verb	Brew	醸成	じょうせい			As in, brew coffee
Verb	To meditate	考える	かんがえる			General idea of pondering or thinking heavily on something.
Noun	Glass	硝子	ガラス			As in the material glass
Noun	Cup	N/A	カップ			As in, the cup you drink from and the measure.

Noun	Candle	蠟燭	ろうそく			There is also a katagana version that gains its pronunciation for english.
Verb	To feed	養う	やしなう			As in, feed the dogs
Noun	Grass	草	くさ			This references all grass-like plant material
Noun	Earth	地球	ちきゅう			As in, the planet earth
Noun	Earth	地	ち			As in, land, soil, ground
Verb	To know	知る	しる			The general idea of having a perception about a true or perceived characteristic of something or someone or one's surroundings
Verb	To cut	刈る	かる		You're gonna make him look like a car-root if you cut his hair like that.	As in, cutting grass, cutting hair mowing the lawn
Verb	To cut	切る	きる		If you cut him like that you'll kill him!	As in, cutting deep, cutting through, or cutting something other that is important
Noun	Today	今日	きょう			
Noun	Tomorrow					
Noun	Yesterday					
Noun	Sunday					
Noun	Monday					
Noun	Tuesday					
Noun	Wednesday					
Noun	Thursday					
Noun	Friday					
Noun	Saturday					
Adjective	Cut					
Noun	Cut					Maybe a possible equivalent To "I have a cut" in japanese
Noun	Fire					
Noun	Flames					
Verb	To clean					

