

# Japans built-in lexicon of English-based loanwords

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	JAPANESE		ENGLISH		GLOSS
a.	[tʃi:mu]	<	[ti:m]		'team'
b.	[tʃippu]	<	[tʌp]		'tip'
c.	[tʃiketto]	<	[tɪktɪt]		'ticket'
d.	[sʌŋʃiru]	<	[sti:l]		'steal'
e.	[aɾuʒenʃin]	<	[aɪdʒəntinə]		'Argentina'

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### When English Is Made in Japan

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### Crosslinguistic lexical transfer of English

Indeed, Uchida 2001b found that Japanese junior high school subjects were able to identify the interlingual correspondences of about half of the unknown borrowed words presented. Since WWII, Japan has been inordinately disposed to borrowing words from English, eclipsing that from other European languages. A recent where coffee advertisement introduced the hybrid the first kana i.

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Learners do not need to build a conceptual framework totally separate from their first language; rather they can add to and integrate their first language system with the second language.

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Unfortunately, only negative transfer is immediately visible to the researcher, and to this day, L1 is often regarded as simply a source of difficulty and errors. Loanwords and Learner Language in Learner Corpora.

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Researchers struggle to grasp how learners perceive similarity, as it is subjective and involves individual learner variation.

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Although Japan experienced no colonisation and is geographically isolated, loanwords have long been a feature of Japanese; the Japanese language has undergone a number of periods of massive borrowing, mostly from Chinese including thousands of Chinese characters. To understand how a given loanword can be created and evolve, let us examine five noteworthy examples see Maeda, 2005. For example, the loanword *feminisuto* contains the meanings of English feminist and gentleman.

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