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## Privileges

Freely use the downloadable materials below:

### I. Hiragana and Katakana Worksheets

Practice by printing the materials below:

- [Hiragana Worksheet \(PDF\)](#)
- [Hiragana Stroke Order \(JPEG\)](#)
- Katakana Worksheet (PDF)
- [Katakana Stroke Order \(JPEG\)](#)

### II. Inputting Japanese Characters (Romaji)

- [Japanese Keyboard Chart](#)
- [Inputting Romaji Characters](#)
- [Japanese Syllabary](#)

### III. Japanese Pronunciation Practice Chart

- [50 sounds from pronunciations](#)
- [Training done by professional announcers](#)

### IV. 40 websites and applications that you can use for free

#### 1. [Japan Foundation](#)

The Japan Foundation works to introduce a diverse variety of facets of Japanese culture, from art, music, drama, and film to fashion and design, to the world. Through “Culture”, “Language” and “Dialogue,” we create opportunities to foster friendship, trust and mutual understanding.

#### 2. [JFT-Basic: Japan Foundation Test for Basic Japanese](#)

JFT-Basic seeks to measure the level of Japanese language proficiency needed to communicate in everyday life situations. It is used to assess whether they have the Japanese language proficiency to be able to engage in everyday conversation to a certain extent and handle daily life without difficulties.

JFT-Basic has been gathering more attention lately as it is conducted more times in a year compared to the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT).

#### 3. [IRODORI: Japanese for Life in Japan](#)

Learn "Speaking", "Listening", "Reading", and "Writing" using "IRODORI: Japanese for Life in Japan" and acquire the fundamental Japanese communication skill needed in life and work in Japan. Foreigners going to Japan will learn the Japanese needed to know when going to work, live, socialize with the natives, or do leisure activities in the country. This website does not only offer Japanese as you can download texts of your native language and audio recordings in Japanese, and serve as a reviewer for the JFT-Basic Test.

#### 4. [MARUGOTO: Japanese Language and Culture](#)

Though it does not focus on increasing a learner's grammar, amount of known sentence patterns, nor knowledge about Japan, 'MARUGOTO' aims to teach the proper way to communicate using real Japanese. It aims to teach a learner the "Can-dos" in different possibilities that someone will be able to do in different situations.

For instance, you will learn greetings and how to talk about your favorite foods and hobbies while doing simple communication at the 'Starter' level. Reading and listening to natural Japanese while practicing how you can talk about yourself longer in the 'Elementary' Level. No matter what level you select, you will be communicating using real Japanese while aiming to understand the other.

#### 5. [MARUGOTO+ \(MARUGOTO Plus\)](#)

In accordance with "MARUGOTO: Japanese Language and Culture", a website based on the official Japanese course book following the educational standards of the Japanese Foundation, MARUGOTO Plus is a site where you can learn the Japanese language and Japan's culture.

It contains a course for every level, allowing a user to select the needed level of difficulty. The site does not only cater for the learning of grammar, conversation, and the proper usage of words, it also has materials that will help users learn kanji, Hiragana, and Katakana. To add, you will be able to use a tool that can help you memorize vocabularies using a simple quiz format, and create a PDF of vocabulary lists.

#### 6. [Activate your Japanese](#) / [Activate your Japanese \(NHK\)](#)

'Activate your Japanese' is a show that introduces Japanese and Japanese culture that mainly targets foreigners who aim to work or live in Japan, and Japanese learners who wish to have knowledge in Japan's society.

Created by Japan Foundation, in partnership with NHK Educational, in order to educate audiences of both national and international, through the distribution and streaming of videos in TV stations and video streaming websites of foreign countries. In addition, they have started to broadcast internationally, and stream on-demand videos through NHK World Japan on the 28th of February, 2022.

7. [IRODORI Japanese Online Course](#)

An online course that will let you acquire Japanese you can use in your life in Japan.

8. [Erin's Challenge! I Can Speak Japanese](#)

A web version of "Erin's Challenge! I Can Speak Japanese", a visual material that was broadcasted with DVDs published aimed for young learners.

9. [JF Japanese e-Learning Minato](#)

A platform where learners can study Japanese, brought by the Japan Foundation. With this site, you will be able to learn Japanese through online courses and exchange with friends from around the world through Community.

10. ["Hirogaru. get more of Japan and Japanese"](#)

A website where you can learn Japanese by reading information about 12 topics that will interest Japanese learners, watch videos of Japanese people conversing, and exchange comments with other users. You will be able to have the sensation that the A1 and A2 levels (Starter to Elementary levels based on the educational standard of the Japan Foundation) of Japanese being "Understandable" and "Usable".

11. [TSUNAHIRO](#)

This website is for foreign nationals living in Japan to learn the Japanese language in order to communicate in Japanese and be able to use it in daily life. Learning contents can be chosen based on your Japanese level, the situation that interests you, and keywords. Study and use Japanese to connect with society and broaden life's possibilities.

12. [NIHONGO えな](#)

The Japanese learning portal, NIHONGO えな, is a site that can showcase useful sites, tools, and ideas.

13. ONOMATOPEDIA

\*\*\*WEBSITE UNAVAILABLE\*\*\*

14. [NHK World-Japan](#)

An institution that provides the latest news regarding Japan and Asia to the various audiences around the world through TV, radio, and online.

15. [Learn Japanese](#)

Study Japanese at your own pace using reliable and practical Japanese learning materials taken from TV program and website of NHK World-Japan

16. [Easy Japanese](#)  
Users will be able to learn Japanese conversation using "Easy Japanese" as it is a show that caters itself to first-time Japanese learners. The site contains 48 lessons where you can learn words relating to greetings, shopping, travel, culture, etc.
17. [Easy Japanese for Work](#)  
Speed up your Japanese skills! Learn practical and effective expressions that you can use at work, understand the business culture, and improve your kanji skills.
18. [Learn Japanese from the News](#)  
Learn Japanese from the News and level up your conversation skills to new heights.
19. [Yomujp: Tadoku Doujou](#)  
Contains various readings in Japanese from the easiest N6 level, up to the difficult N1 level.
20. [JYL Project: Japanese Library for Children](#)  
Contains downloadable prints of Hiragana, Katakana, kanji, conversation, and essays that you can use to study.
21. [Nihongo Work](#)  
Contains printouts of Hiragana, Katakana, vocabularies, grammar, and prints of games like Sugoroku and 'Karuta'.
22. [Online Japanese Learning](#)  
A website where you can learn Japanese. Users will be able to choose topics they have difficulty in understanding as learning topics are divided into different parts with alphabet included for the user's ease of understanding.
23. [Jisho](#)  
Jisho is a powerful online Japanese-English dictionary. Users of Jisho will be able to quickly, and easily search for vocabularies, kanjis, and sample sentences. Once you input Japanese or English words in the search bar, Jisho will give you multiple data regarding the word you have inputted. You will also be able to see more sample sentences and explanations in the 'Search Options Page'.
24. [Dictionary for Recognizing Hand-Written Kanjis](#)  
Write kanjis inside the box using your mouse. Once you have written the kanji you wish to search, the site/app will be displaying 20 kanjis that look similar to what you have written. You will be able to know the different readings of the kanji, its radicals, stroke-count, kanji compound, and writing order.

25. [Japanese Pronunciation Laboratory](#)  
Japanese Pronunciation Laboratory is a website that anyone can use for practicing Japanese pronunciation.
26. [Online Japanese Accent Dictionary \(OJAD\)](#)  
OJAD is an online Japanese accent dictionary for Japanese instructors and learners. The words in the dictionary encompass over 9000 nouns and 3500 declinable words including verbs, i-adjectives, and na-adjectives, making it possible to search approximately 42,300 conjugations of words (each conjugated form given in the dictionary is accompanied by both male and female audio.).
27. [Specified Skilled Worker Support Site](#)  
A website for the support information regarding the Specified Skilled Worker visa.
28. [Prometric Reviewer for the Japanese Caregiving Prometric Exam](#) A reviewer for the acquisition of knowledge to pass the Japanese part of the Caregiving Prometric Exam.
29. [Nihongo de CARE-NAVI](#)  
“Nihongo de CARE-NAVI” is a website that caters to foreigners who are studying Japanese in hopes of being a caregiver in Japan. At the same time, it is also used as a learning tool for the passing of the Japanese Caregiving Prometric and the N3 level of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test.
30. [Nihongo wo Manabou \(Let's learn Japanese\)](#)  
As a platform for foreigners that study the caregiving of Japan, with hopes of working in the country, "Nihongo wo Manabou" is a website where one can improve their Japanese and learn the needed skills in Japanese Caregiving. Once you have logged in to the site, you will be able to access "Japanese of Caregiving" where audio samples are included.
31. [Caregiving Kanji Supporter](#)  
A site that can be used to study the technical terminologies that may show up in the Kaigo Fukushi Exam (Caregiving and Welfare Exam).  
You can do the following with this website:
- Search for the meaning of caregiving terminologies
  - Learn the kanjis that frequently show up in national exams
  - Learn the different terminologies of every subject
- Additionally, the site contains questions that were included in the national exam of the new curriculum (24th examination onwards) as example sentences.
32. [Workplace Safety Site](#)  
Learn using downloadable videos and texts about the fundamental facts and different

industries on how to not cause work accidents. Though the explanations are in Japanese, English captions are available.

33. [Guidebook on Living and Working \(Website\)](#)

In the guidebook are information for foreigners on how to live a worry-free and safe life in Japan.

34. [Japanese in Anime & Manga](#)

An eLearning site that targets Japanese learners that studies using Anime (Japanese Animated Shows) and Japanese Manga (Japanese Comics). Listen and compare the difference in phrasings by different characters, and have fun studying romantic terminologies through quizzes.

35. [DeepL Translator](#)

DeepL Translator is the best machine translator in the world as it is capable of precisely translating words. When compared to other machine translating websites, it possesses a more precise translation of a word as it is equipped with the latest AI technology, making it possible to translate texts to a near, natural-sounding translation.

36. [Google Translator](#)

Google Translate is the most used free machine-translator in the world, capable of translating more than 100 languages. It is known for its versatility and its capability to serve as an extension of the Google browser where it can translate entire websites. Furthermore, it contains multiple functions that makes it possible for its users to easily use the translator by having voice-to-text capabilities and an application version for smartphones.

37. [ChatGPT](#)

ChatGPT is a text generator AI released from OpenAI. Though it may be an AI that specializes in generating text, thanks to its capabilities to support different languages, it can also be used as a translating tool. Additionally, it can create glossaries and summaries of a text, possessing functions that other machine translation tools do not have. Due to the increase of learning data related to Japanese, we can say that its capability to process the language will be strengthened in the future.

You can order ChatGPT, "Translate (word) in Japanese", to have it translate your desired word. Due to its multiple capabilities, you can do actions that cannot be done with regular machine translators. For instance, you can have it write sentences in a certain style that matches the formality that you desire (ex. "write the following in a formal writing style", "write the following in a casual writing style", etc.), making it possible to serve as a translator of the emails you send to business partners.

You can effectively use the app by inputting specific prompts when translating using

ChatGPT.

38. [Technical Intern Trainee Handbook](#)

A smartphone application that allows trainees to look at the Technical Intern Trainee handbook anytime and anywhere. This application is fully equipped with multiple functions. Users will be able to know the latest laws regarding the Technical Intern Training Program (TITP), find useful information on everyday life, be alerted about disasters and calamities, processes regarding violation reports and filings, and serve as a place to contact in problematic situations.

39. [Challenge with Erin: Japanese Language Test](#)

"Challenge with Erin: Japanese Language Test" is an app aimed for middle school beginners overseas that can help them learn simple Japanese words through card games, Japanese Manga, and quizzes, while having the function to gauge their progress. It is recommended to individuals who are just starting to learn Japanese or to inspiring learners completely new to the language.

40. [Hiragana, Katakana, Kanji Memory Hint](#)

Three applications, corresponding to Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji. Through these apps, a user will be able to memorize each kanas in a fun way as each kana will be accompanied by corresponding illustrations relating to the "letter".