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# Welcome to: Japanese in 50 minutes!





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# Youkoso!

(Welcome: ようこそ)



Aiko



Steve



Aiko

Born and raised in  
Hiroshima (広島)

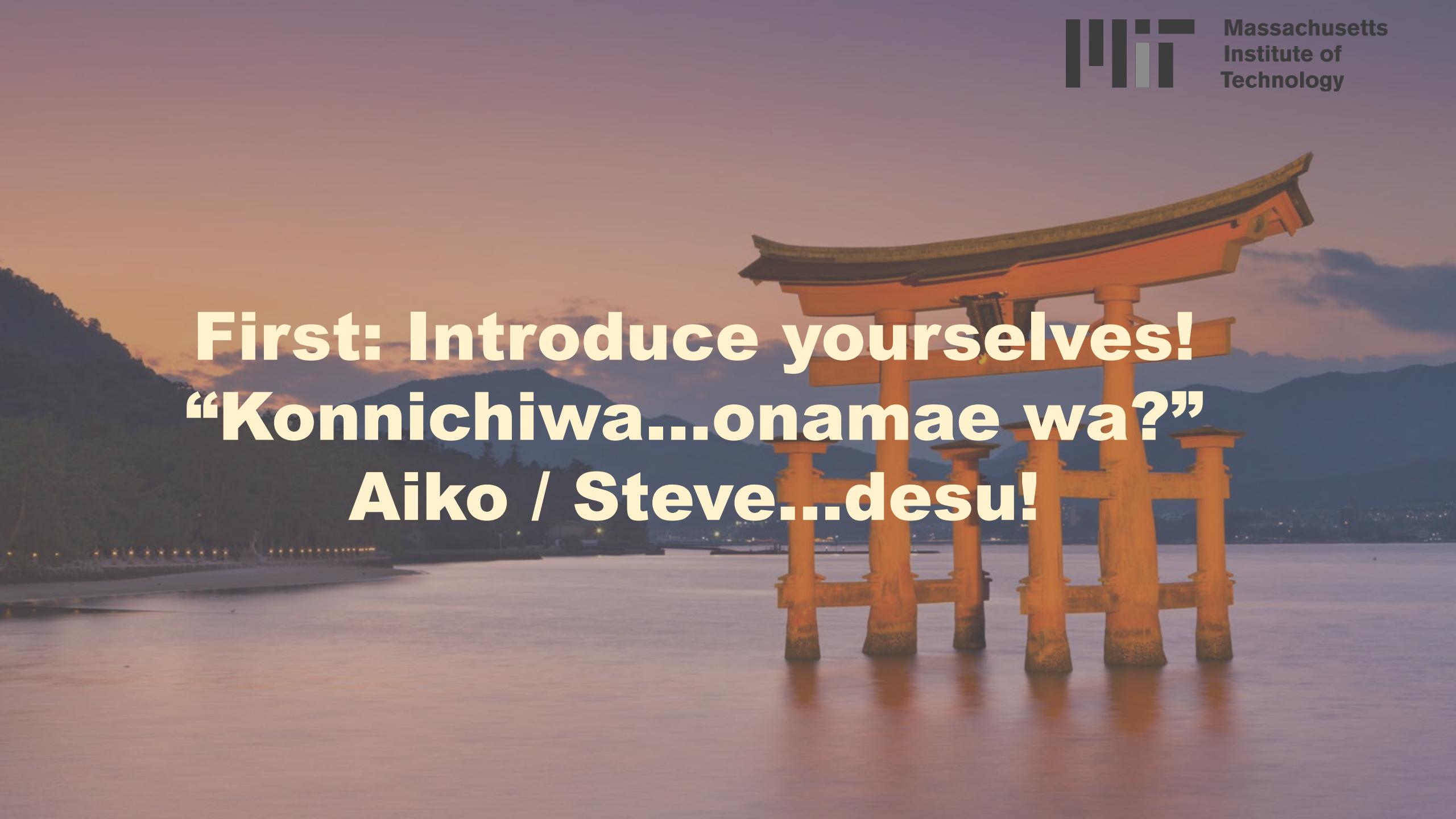


Steve

2 Years in  
Tokyo (東京)



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A photograph of a traditional Japanese torii gate standing in the water at sunset. The gate is orange and curved, with a dark roof. The background shows a calm body of water, distant mountains, and a sky with warm orange and pink hues.

**First: Introduce yourselves!**  
**“Konnichiwa...onamae wa?”**  
**Aiko / Steve...desu!**



# Written Japanese (Kanji, Katakana, Hiragana)

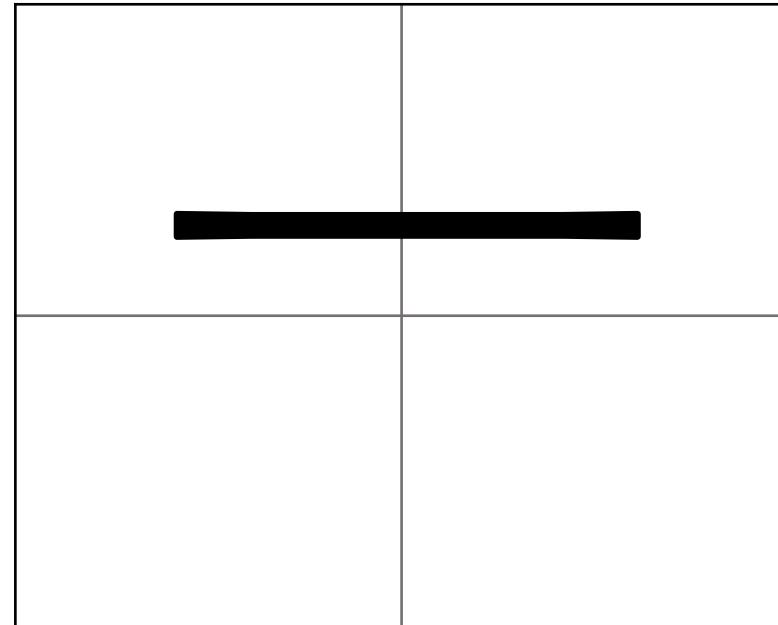
# Basic Kanji

一	二	三	四	五	六	七	八	九	十
one	two	three	four	five	six	seven	eight	nine	ten
百	千	上	下	左	右	中	大	小	月
hundred	thousand	above	below	left	right	middle	large	small	moon
日	年	早	木	林	山	川	土	空	田
sun	year	early	tree	woods	mountain	river	soil	sky	rice paddy
天	生	花	草	虫	犬	人	名	女	男
heaven	life	flower	grass	insect	dog	person	name	female	male
子	目	耳	口	手	足	見	音	力	氣
child	eye	ear	mouth	hand	foot	see	sound	power	spirit
円	入	出	立	休	先	夕	本	文	字
yen	enter	exit	stand up	rest	previous	evening	book	text	character
学	校	村	町	森	正	水	火	玉	王
study	school	village	town	forest	correct	water	fire	gem	king
石	竹	糸	貝	車	金	雨	赤	青	白
stone	bamboo	thread	shellfish	vehicle	gold	rain	red	blue	white

One

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- いち
- i-chi

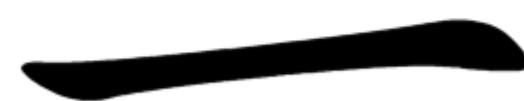
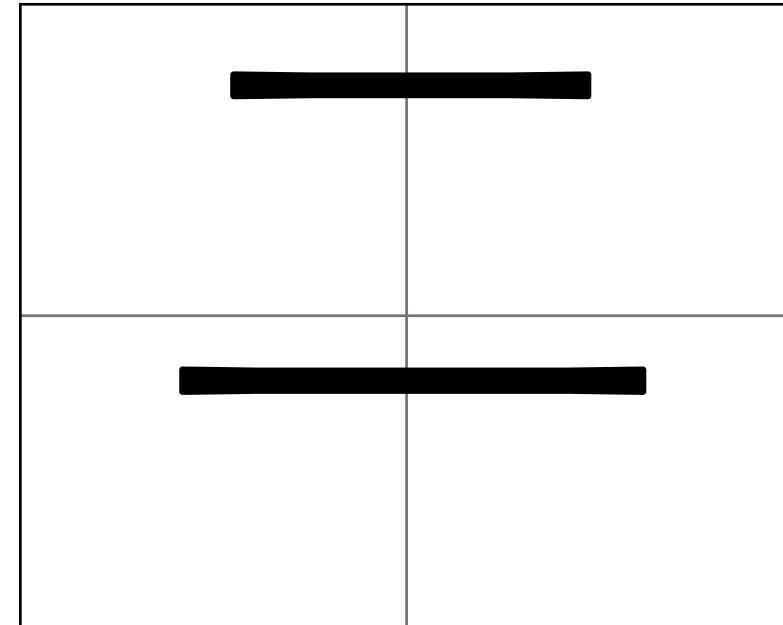


Two

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- に

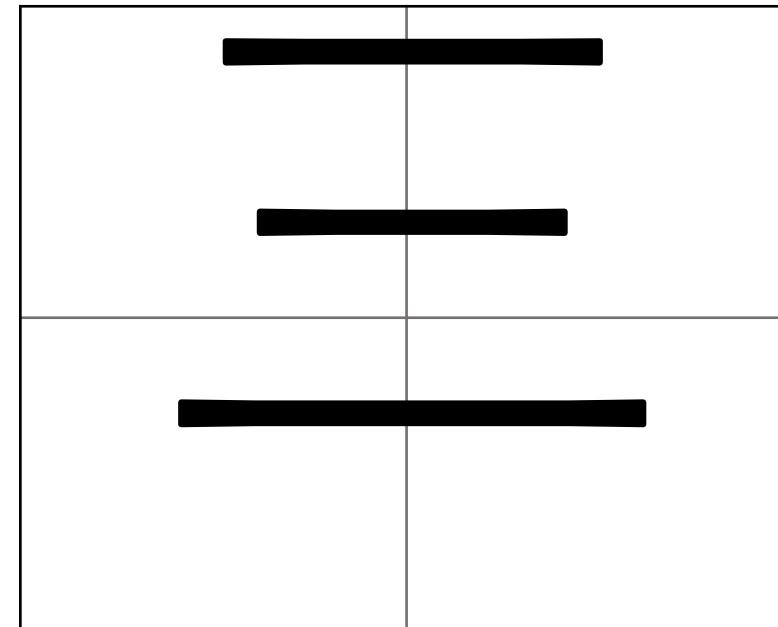
- ni



Three

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- さん
- san



Moon

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•つき

•tsu-ki

A large black outline of the katakana character 'tsu' (ツ) is centered within a rectangular frame divided into four quadrants by thin black lines.

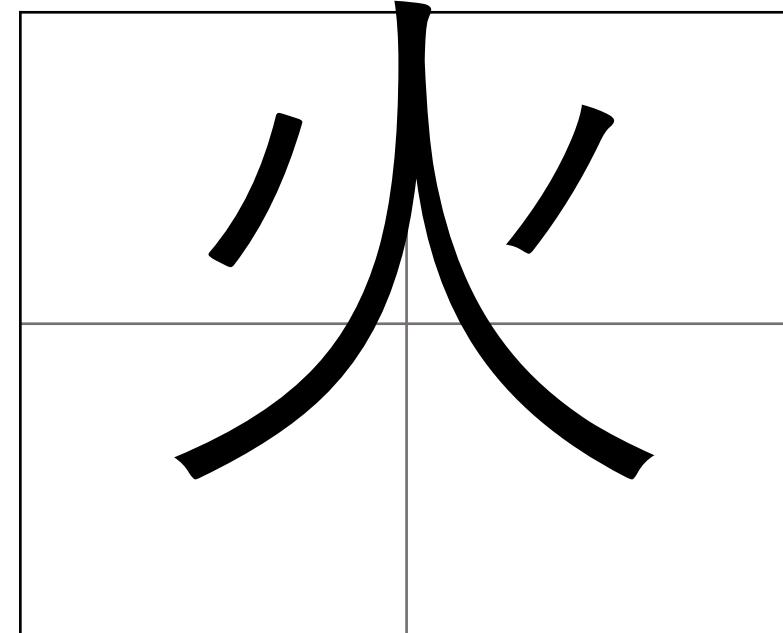
A large black outline of the hiragana character 'tsu' (つ) is centered within a rectangular frame.

Fire

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•ひ

•hi



火

Water

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- みず
- mi-zu

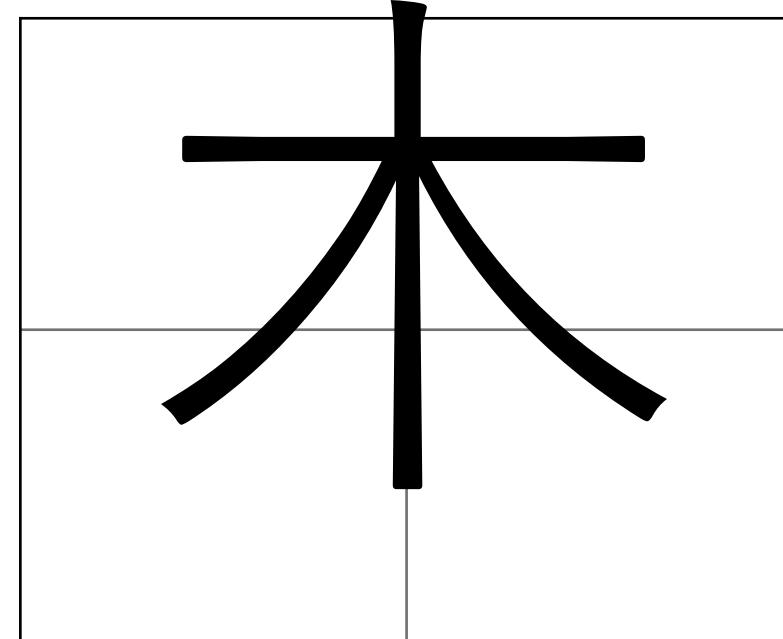
The image shows the Japanese katakana character 'mizu' (水) in black, stylized font. It is composed of two strokes: a vertical line on the left and a curved line on the right that loops back towards the top-left.

The image shows the Japanese hiragana character 'mizu' (水) in black, stylized font. It is composed of three strokes: a vertical line on the left, a horizontal line at the top, and a curved line on the right that loops back towards the bottom-left.

Tree

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- ki



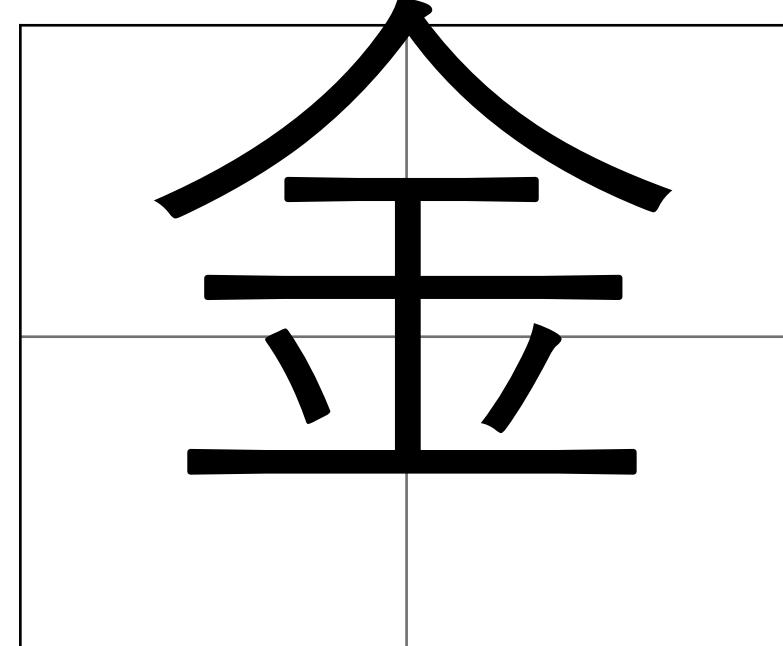
木

Gold

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• きん

• kin

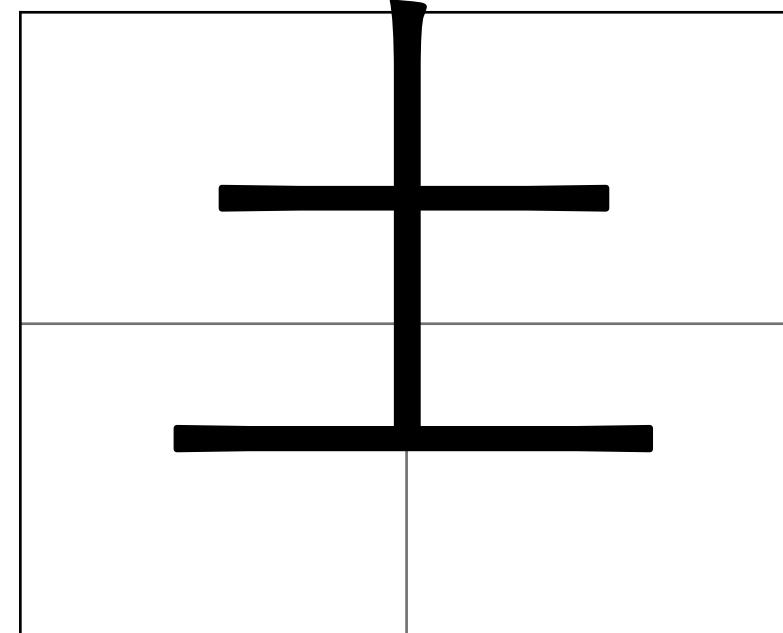


金

Soil

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- つち
- tsu-chi

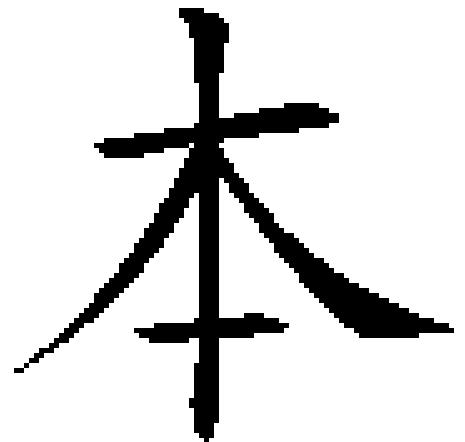
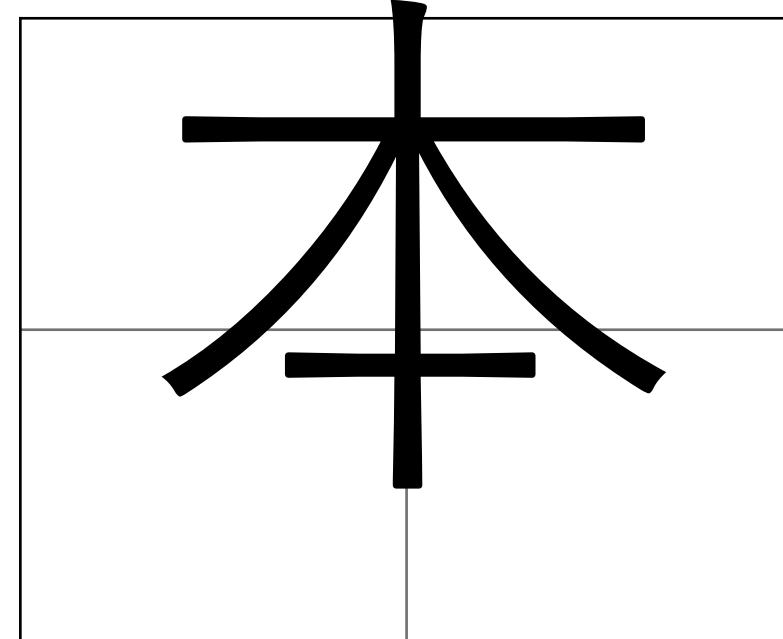


土

Book

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- ほん
- ho-n



Female

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- おんな
- o-n-na

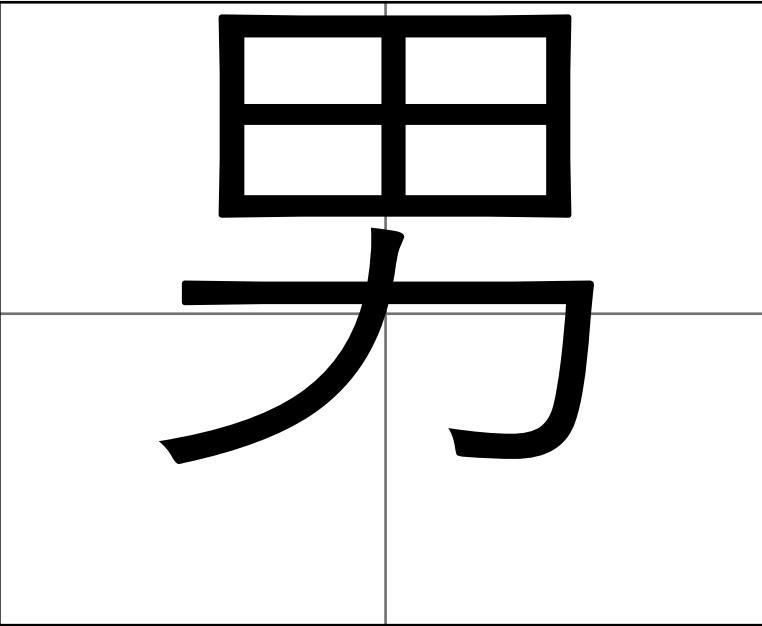
A large, bold, black handwritten Japanese character '女' (onna) is centered within a rectangular frame divided into four quadrants by thin gray lines. The character is written with fluid, expressive strokes.

A large, bold, black printed Japanese character '女' (onna) is centered on the page. It has a more formal and structured appearance compared to the handwritten version above it.

Male

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- おとこ
- o-to-ko

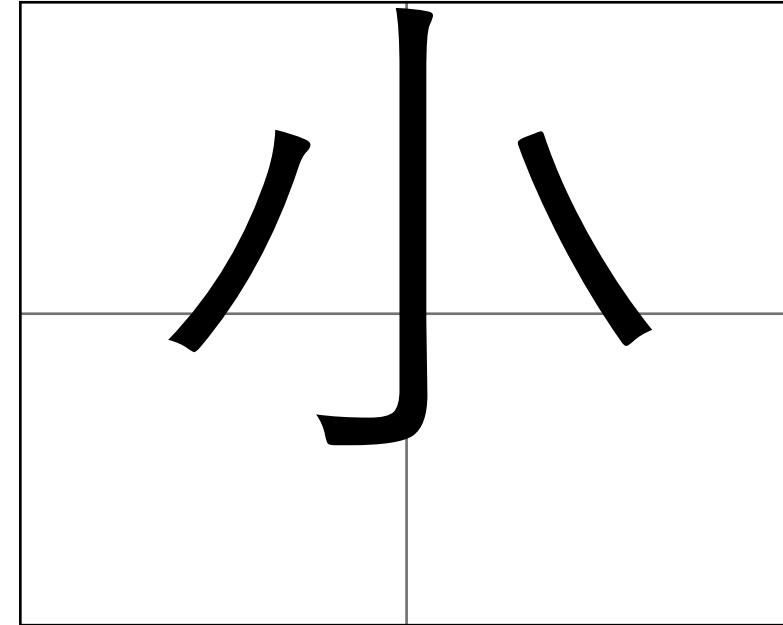


田  
力

Small

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- ちいさい
- chi-i-sa-i

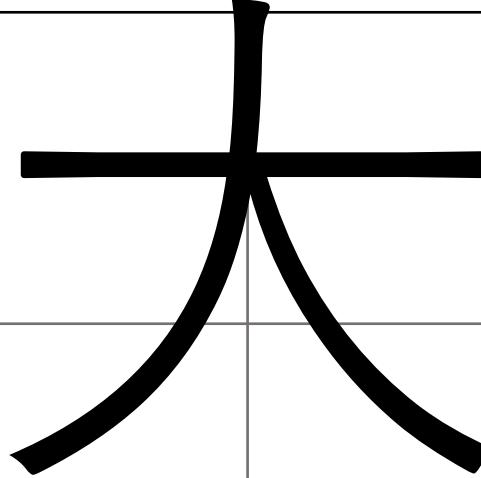


小

Big

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- おおきい
- o-o-ki-i



A large black outline of the Japanese character '大' (Daigai) is centered within a rectangular frame divided into four equal quadrants by thin gray lines.



A large black outline of the Japanese character '大' (Daigai) is centered on a white background.



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**Let's  
SPEAK  
Japanese!!!**



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A scenic view of Mount Fuji in Japan, with its iconic snow-capped peak rising from behind a lake. In the foreground, branches of cherry blossom trees (sakura) with pink flowers are visible against a clear blue sky.

**Most helpful phrase in Japan!!!  
Eigo wo shitte masu ka?  
(Do you know English?)**

# Conversation #1



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**P1: Konnichiwa! Anata wa nan sai desu ka?**

(Hello! How old are you?)

**P2: Konnichiwa! Watashi wa ju-roku sai.**

(Hello! I'm 16.)

**P1: Honto? Watashi mo!**

(Really? Me too!)

# Conversation #2



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**P1: Genki?**  
**(How are you?)**

**P2: Genki desu!**  
**(I'm fine!)**

**P1: Neko wa suki desu ka?**  
**(Do you like cats?)**

**P2: Neko wa dai suki!**  
**(I love cats!)**

# Conversation #3

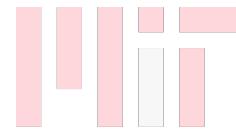


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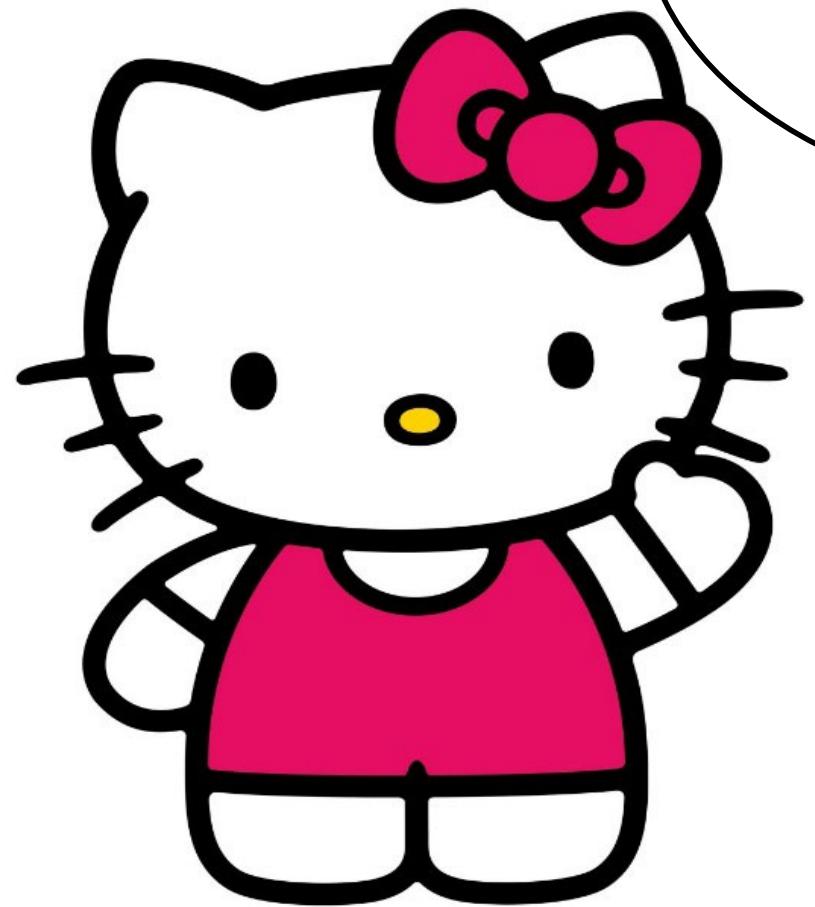
**P1: Ohayo! Anata no shusshin wa doko desu ka?**  
**(Good morning! Where are you from?)**

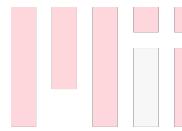
**P2: Watashi wa America-jin desu, anata wa?**  
**(I'm American, and you?)**

**P1: Sugoi! Watashi wa Nihon-jin desu.**  
**(Great! I'm Japanese.)**



**Time to  
Practice!!!**





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**Fun  
Words!**

**Tanjoubi Omedetou!!!  
(Happy Birthday!!!)**

**Hajimemashite.  
(Nice to meet you.)**

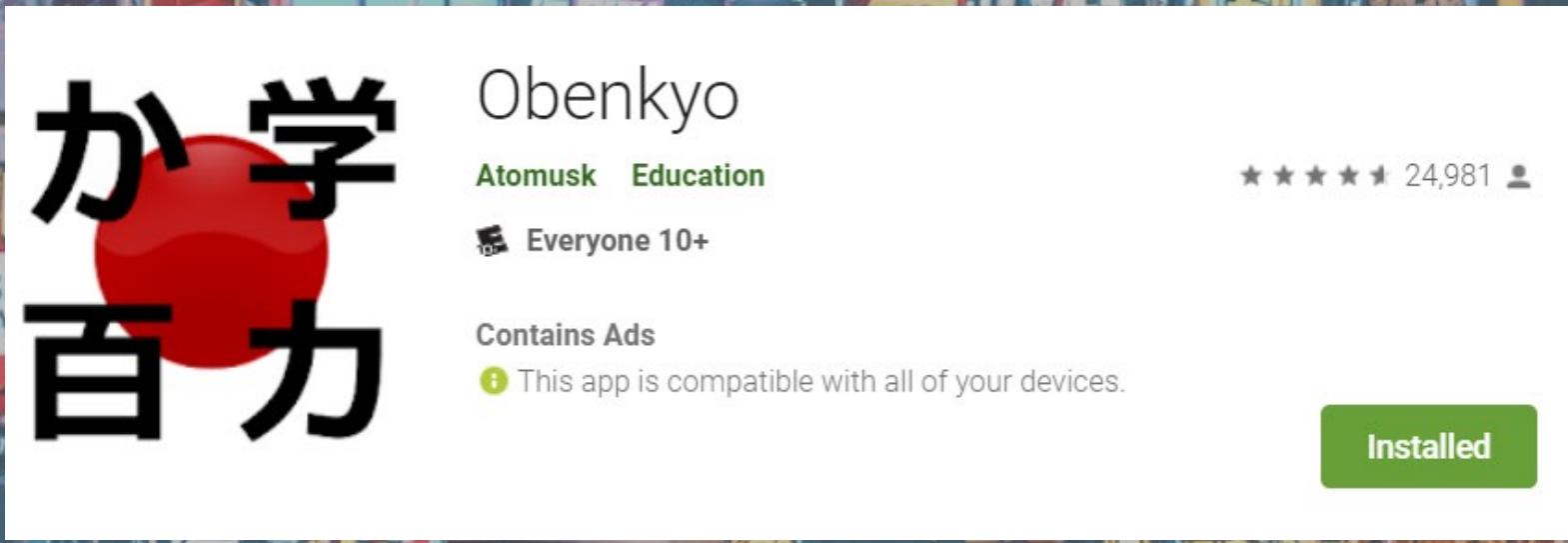
**Hisashiburi.  
(Long time no see.)**

**Oishii!  
(Delicious!)**

**Moshi moshi.  
(Hello.) – answering phone**

# Further Practice

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This screenshot shows the Obenkyo app's character details screen for the character 悪 (aku). On the left, there's a grid of characters categorized by JLPT level (5, 4, 3, 2, 1, Additional). The main area displays the character 悪 in large size with stroke order arrows. To its right is a list of meanings: - bad, - vice, - rascal, - false, - evil, - wrong. Below this is the Kun Yomi reading わるい (warui) and the On Yomi reading アク (aku). There are also other readings listed. At the bottom, there's a note about 悪魔 (aku-ma) and a "stroke order error" indicator.



# SHITSUMON? (QUESTIONS? しつもん)



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**ARIGATO!**  
**(Thank you! ありがとう)**

