



USEFUL JAPANESE PHRASES

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| 1 . Good morning
OHAYO GOZAIMASU | 16 . What is this?
KORE WA NAN DESU KA? | 31 . Do you speak <u>English</u> ?
<u>EIGO</u> O HANASHI MASU KA? |
| 2 . Good afternoon
KONNICHIWA | 17 . How much?
IKURA DESU KA? | 32 . Yes, I speak English.
HAI, EIGO O HANASHIMASU |
| 3 . Good evening
KONBANWA | 18 . Why?
NAZE (DOSHITE) DESU KA? | 33 . I speak a little.
SUKOSHI HANASHIMASU |
| 4 . Good night
OYASUMI NASAI | 19 . Where is this place?
KOKO WA DOKO DESU KA? | 34 . What's your name?
ANATA NO (O)NAMAЕ WA
NAN DESU KA? |
| 5 . How are you?
(O)GENKI DESU KA? | 20 . Please write.
KAITE KUDASAI | 35 . My name is _____ .
WATASHI NO NAMAЕ WA
_____ DESU. |
| 6 . Fine, thank you
GENKI DESU | 21 . Please look/watch.
MITE KUDASAI | 36 . See you again.
MATA AIMASHO |
| 7 . How do you do?
HAJIMEMASHITE | 22 . Please speak/talk.
HANASHITE KUDASAI | 37 . Do you take <u>dollars</u> ?
<u>DORU</u> WA TSUKAE MASUKA |
| 8 . Nice to meet you
DOZO YOROSHIKU
ONEGAI SHIMASU | 23 . Please say it again.
MO ICHIDO ITTE
KUDASAI | 38 . Acknowledging one's hard work
OTSUKARE SAMA DESU |
| 9 . Thank you very much
DOMO ARIGATO
GOZAIMASU | 24 . Please wait a moment.
CHOTTO MATTE KUDASAI | 39 . Are you all right?
DAIJOBU DESU KA? |
| 10 . Excuse me
SUMIMASEN | 25 . Please speak slowly.
YUKKURI HANASHITE KUDASAI | 40 . Do your best!
GANBATTE KUDASAI |
| 11 . Forgive me. I'm sorry.
GOMEN NASAI | 26 . Grace before meal
ITADAKIMASU | 41 . Congratulations!
OMEDETO GOZAIMASU! |
| 12 . You are welcome
DO ITASHIMASHITE | 27 . Grace after meal
GOCHISOSAMA (DESHITA) | 42 . No good!
DAME DESU |
| 13 . Welcome!
IRRASHAI MASE/
YOKOSO | 28 . Do you understand?
WAKARIMASU KA? | 43 . Impossible
MURI DESU/ DEKIMASEN |
| 14 . After you. You go first.
DOZO OSAKINI | 29 . Yes, I understand.
HAI, WAKARIMASU | 44 . <u>Please give me beer</u> .
BIIRU O <u>KUDASAI</u> |
| 15 . Thank you for waiting
OMACHIDO SAMA | 30 . No, I don't understand.
IIE, WAKARIMASEN | 45 . Have a nice day!
YOI ICHINICHI O! |

Numbers

0 - ZERO	20 - NI JU
1 - ICHI	30 - SAN JU
2 - NI	40 - YON JU
3 - SAN	50 - GO JU
4 - SHI/YON	60 - ROKU JU
5 - GO	70 - NANA JU
6 - ROKU	80 - HACHI JU
7 - SHICHI/NANA	90 - KYU JU
8 - HACHI	100 - HYAKU
9 - KYU/KU	
10 - JU	200 - NI HYAKU
11 - JU ICHI	300 - SAN BYAKU
12 - JU NI	400 - YON HYAKU
13 - JU SAN	500 - GO HYAKU
14 - JU SHI	600 - RO PPYAKU
15 - JU GO	1000 - SEN

How much is this?
KORE WA IKURA DESUKA?

It's 500 yen
GO HYAKU YEN DESU

It's 30 dollars
SAN JU DORU DESU

Places

School - GAKKO
Church - KYOKAI
Post Office - YUBIN KYOKU
Hospital - BYOIN
Library - TOSHOKAN
Bus stop - BASU TEI
Police station - KOBAN
Parking lot - CHUSHA JO
Bank - GINKO

Airport - KUKO
Department store - DEPATO
Movie theater - EIGA KAN
Rest room - OTEARAI/TOIRE
Entrance - IRIGUCHI
Pharmacy - YAKKYOKU

Where is the rest room?
OTEARAI WA DOKO DESUKA?

Location

Up - UE
Down - SHITA
Front - MAE
Behind - USHIRO

Right - MIGI
Left - HIDARI
Inside - NAKA
Outside - SOTO

Rest room is on your right
OTEARAI WA MIGI DESU

The Japanese syllabary consists of the five vowels; A - I - U - E - O sounded as "ah", "EE", "oo", "eh" and "oh"

There are two kinds of vowels - short and long which change the meanings.
(e.g. OJISAN - uncle, and OJISAN - grandfather)

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