

Japanese survival vocabulary

Good evening

Reply

konban wa

Good afternoon

Reply

konnichi wa

Good morning

Reply to Good morning

ohayoo gozaimasu

Goodbye

sayoonara

How are you?

Reply e.g. Fine, thank you.

ogenki desuka

Hello

Reply

konnichi wa

Excuse me [sorry]

sumimasen

Please

onegaishimasu

Thank you

Reply

arigatoo gozaimasu

Can I take your photo?

anata no shashin wo torasete

itadakemasuka

Delicious

oishii desu

It doesn't matter

daijobu desu

Yes

hai

Do you have ...?

... wa arimasu ka

I want ...

... ga hoshii no desu ga

There isn't any

arimasen

This (one), That (one)

[pointing at goods]

kore, are

No

iee

One

... hitotsu

A cheaper one

yasui hoo

How much does it cost?

ikura desu ka

Four

... yottsu

Three

... mittsu

Two

... hutatsu

Seven

... nanatsu

Six

... muttsu

Five

... itsutsu

Ten

jyuu, too

Nine

... kokonotsu

Eight

... yattsu

Thirteen jyuusan	Eighty hachijyuu
Twelve jyuuni	One thousand sen
Eleven jyuuichi	Five hundred gohyaku
Sixteen jyuuroku	Two hundred nihyaku
Fifteen jyuugo	UNITS OF MONEY yen
Fourteen jyuushi	One million hyakuman
Nineteen jyuuku	Two thousand nisen
Eighteen jyuuhachi	all of it zenbu
Seventeen jyuushichi	half hanbun
Forty yonjyuu	UNITS OF WEIGHT AND SIZE kiroguramu, guramu senchimeetoru meetoru, kiro
Thirty sanjyu	Excuse me [to get attention] sumimasen
Twenty nijyuu	(one) less hitotsu sukunaku
Seventy nanajyuu	(one) more moo hitotsu
Sixty rokujuuu	An English newspaper eijishinbun
Fifty gojyuu	Can you lower the price? yasuku dekimasu ka
One hundred hyaku	Too expensive takasugimasu
Ninety kyujyuu	

Gents
dansei

Stamps
kitte

A map
chizu

Exit/out
deguchi
Entrance/In
iriguchi

Ladies
jyosei

Where is ...?
... wa doko desu ka

Can you help me?
chotto ukagaimasu ga

Closed
heiten

Toilet
toire

Where is ... street?
... doori wa doko desu ka

What place is this?
street
town
kokowa dokodesuka
kokowa nantoyuu tooridesuka
kokowa nantoyuu machidesuka

Restaurant
resutoran

Department store
depaato

Bank
ginkoo

Underground
chikatetsu

Train station
eki

Airport
kuukoo

Doctor
isha

Hospital
byooiin

Bus station
basunoriba

Telephone
denwa

Post-office
yuubinkyoku

Police
keisatsu

How long (to get to ...)?
... made donogurai kakarimasu ka

How far?
Is it near?
donogurai tooi desu ka

Market
ichiba

Straight ahead
massugu

Right
migi

Left
hidari

Wait
matteku dasai

Stop here
kokode tomatte kudasai

Slow down

yukkuri

Where is ...
... wa doko desu ka

When
itsu

Ticket
chiketto, kippu

Leave at what time?
nanji ni demasu ka

at ... o'clock
... ji ni

Hotel
hoteru

Bill, please
kaikei onegaishimasu

tomorrow ashita

today kyoo

I am (name)
Watashi wa ... desu

A FEW COOKING TERMS

NAMES OF A FEW DISHES AND DRINKS

tenpura
yakitori
biiru
sake

What do you do?
goshokugyoowa nan desu ka

I am (a New Zealander)
I come from (New Zealand)
nyuujiirando jin desu
nyuujiirando karakimashita

Where do you come from?
dochira kara desu ka
A little

sukoshi

You speak (Spanish)!
nihongoga hanasemasu ne

I am a (teacher)
tourist
kyooshi desu
ryokoosha desu

Years
[for telling age]
... sai desu

How old are you?
oikutsu desu ka

What is your name?
onamaewa nan desu ka

I have been here ... months
koko ni kite ... kagetsu ni narimasu

I have been here ... weeks
koko ni kite ... shuukan ni narimasu

I have been here ... days
koko ni kite ... ka ni narimasu

I (don't) understand
wakarimasu (wakarimasen)

Do you understand?
wakarimasu ka
I am sick
guai ga warui desu

I speak only a little (Thai)
sukoshidake nihongoga hanasemasu

Please speak slowly
yukkuri hanashite kudasaimasu ka

Repeat
mooichido itte kudasaimasu ka

What do you call this in (Spanish)?
nihongo de kore wa nan to iimasu ka