



Japan 111



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When you address to
your teacher, say
LAST NAME + Sensee

Let's say "hello" to your
instructor in Japanese!

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Bond-sensee

Lowy-sensee

DeTora-sensee

Sakamoto-
sensee

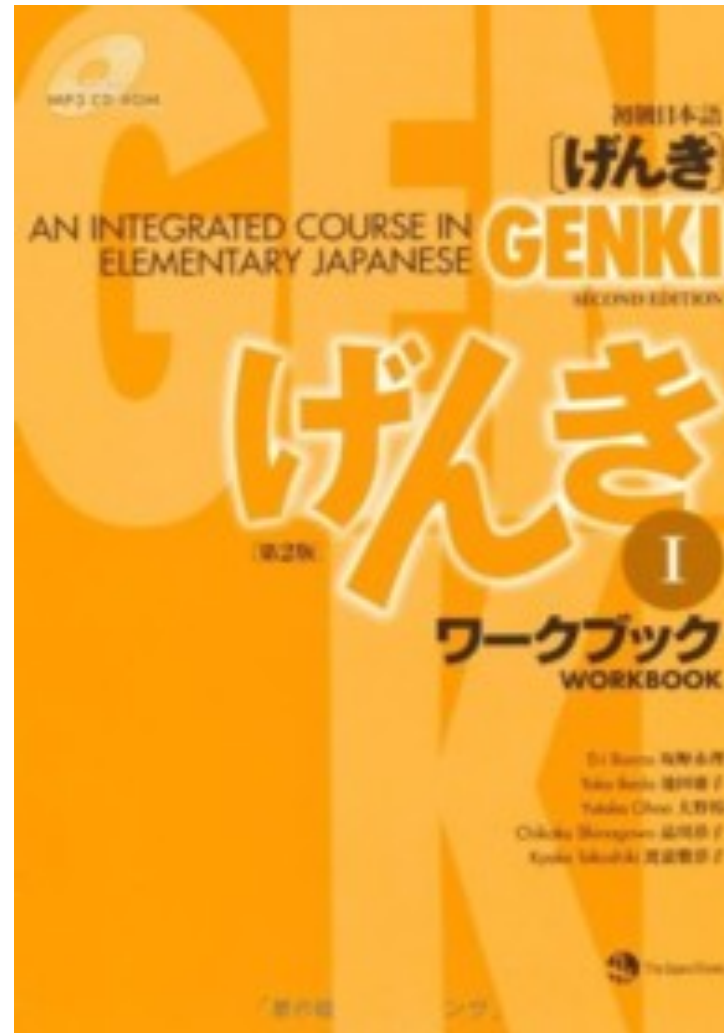
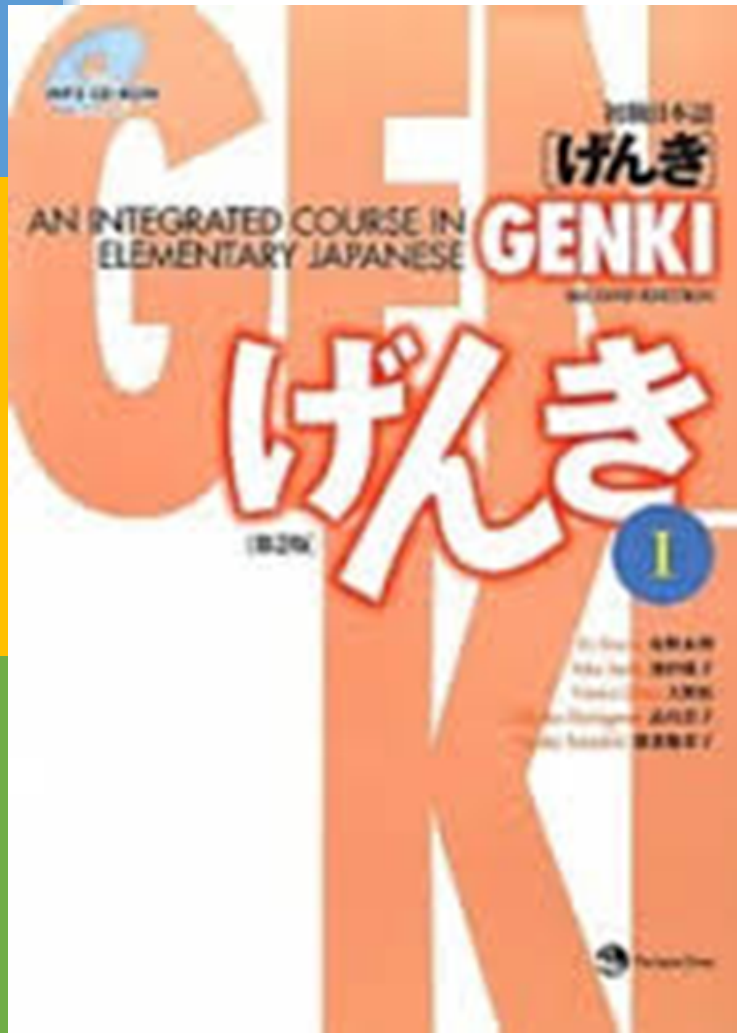
Burton-sensee

Hill-sensee

Read Syllabus

- https://courses.washington.edu/jlang111/Japan111_A17/Japan111_home.htm
- Important Dates:
 - 10/12, 11/2, 11/14 ... Chapter tests
 - 12/9 (Sat.) Final Exam (10:30-12:20am, SMI 120, 211)
 - Quizzes, Chapter test, and Contents on Schedule section of the website
 - Homework... Canvas
- Also, download worksheet, record your voice, take online quizzes on Canvas

Textbook, Workbook, Course Packet



Who can be in this course?



I took the
placement test
but scored only 4
points...

I have never
studied
Japanese...

I know a few
Japanese phrases
because I was in
Japan but ...



Class Policy



Who can not be in this course?



I took Japanese course in high school for a few years...

I grew up speaking Japanese at home..

I lived in Japan so I can converse in Japanese...



Any Questions?

- Contact me at kaoru@uw.edu

A faded, vintage-style photograph of five young people (three men and two women) in 1980s-style clothing, dancing or posing in a grassy field. The image is semi-transparent, serving as a background for the text.

In case of inclement weather conditions...

- Sign up on Flash Alert Newswire
 - flashaleart.net
- In case I am stuck at home, you will receive e-mail from me (as well as an announcement will be posted in the department).

Writing in Japanese



James D. McCawley

that the dictionaries of Japanese are so much better: when I need information about the meaning, usage, and pronunciation of Japanese words, I can consult works that give me relatively easy access (easy, at least in relation to the obstacles that are posed by what is without doubt the world's screwiest writing system) to detailed and reliable information about the words. And when I use Japanese dictionaries, whether bi-

Forward in P. Constantine "Japanese Street Slang"

Japanese Writing System

- Syllabary, not alphabet ... 46 characters
 - Hiragana あいうえお
 - Katakana アイウエオ
- Kanji (Sino-Japanese Characters) ... unlimited
阿伊宇江於
- Romanized Japanese (Roomaji)
 - Hepburn Style ta chi tsu te to
 - Kunrei Style ta ti tu te to
- Numerals
 - Arabic
 - Roman

Japanese syllables

- Five vowels
- Two syllabic consonants
- Consonant + Vowel
- Each syllable is represented by a Kana
 - Hiragana ... used in ordinary writing
 - Katakana ... limited use (to be discussed later)

Hiragana for Vowels

- Vowels
- Hiragana

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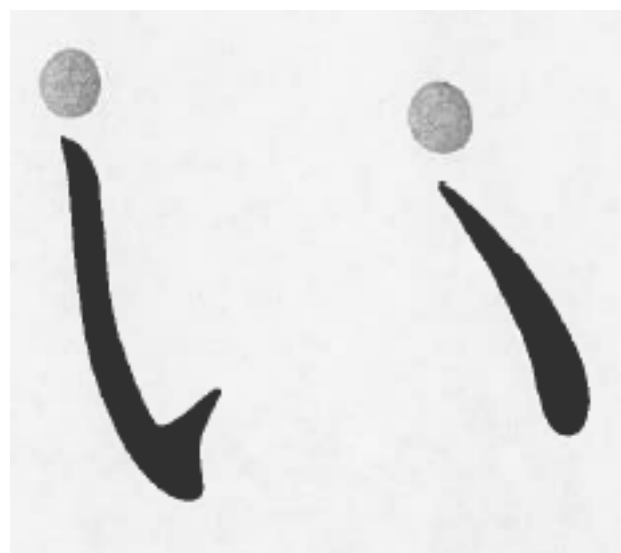
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k + vowels

- ka ■ か
- ki ■ き / き
- ku ■ く
- ke ■ け
- ko ■ こ

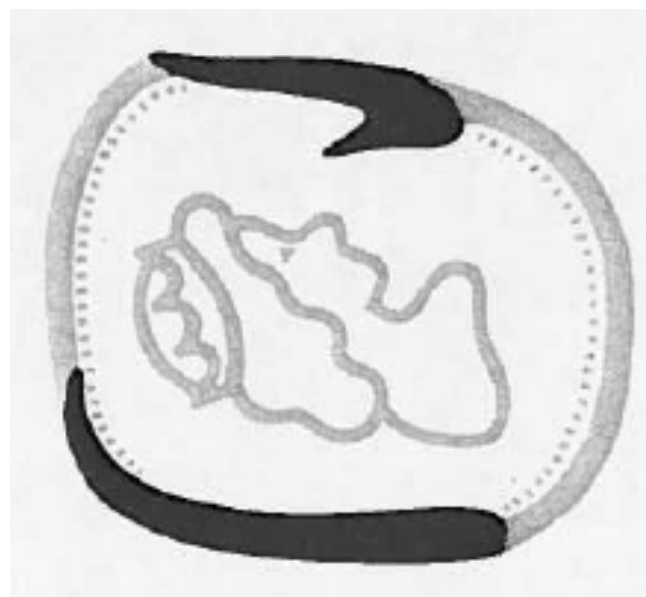
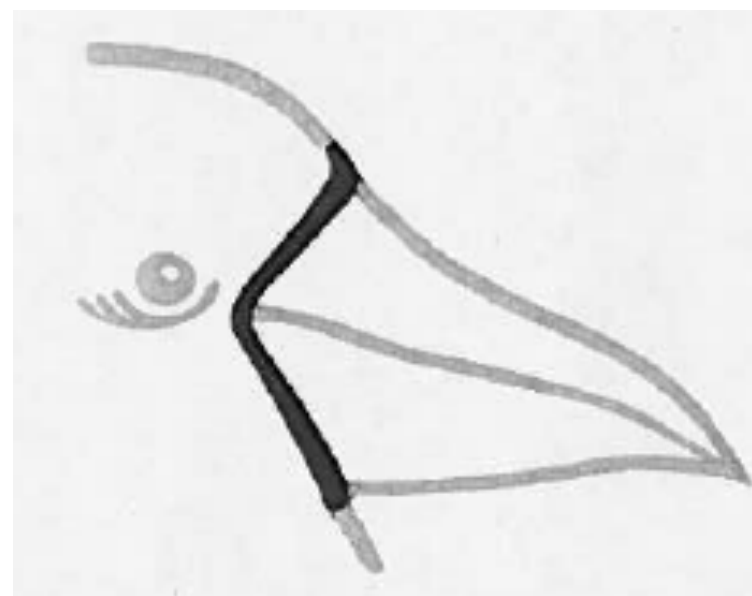
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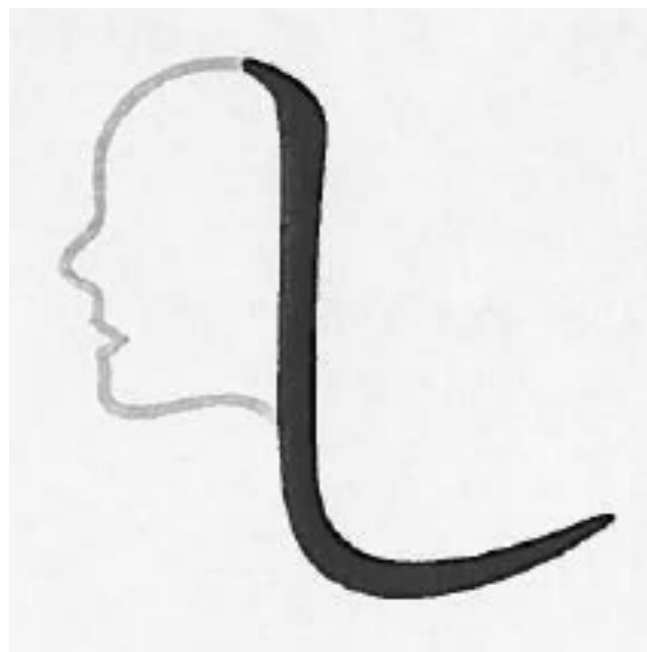


S + Vowels

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| ■ sa | ■ さ/ き |
| ■ si → “shi” | ■ し |
| ■ su | ■ す |
| ■ se | ■ せ |
| ■ so | ■ そ |

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Tomorrow

- Bring your Workbook and Course Packet