

ma ni a(w)-u 間に合う <V> be in time L60
maa まあ well [hesitation noise] L28
maa! まあ oh! dear me! [exclamatory remark of surprise used by women] L30
maamaa まあまあ so-so L16
maatarashii 真新しい <A> brand new L88
mabushii まぶしい <A> dazzling, glaring, bright L88
machi 町 town, township, city L84
machigai 間違い a mistake, an error L74
machigae-ru 間違える <V> make a mistake, mistake L74
machiga(w)-u 間違う <V> make a mistake, mistake L74
mada まだ still L32
madamada まだまだ still a long way to go L68
X-made Xまで <phrase-particle> up to X, till X L28
X-madeni(wa) Xまでに (は) <phrase-particle> by the time X L34
mado 窓 window L79
mae 前 front, before L26
magar-u 曲がる <V> turn L28
maguro まぐろ tuna L15
mahuraa マフラー muffler L66
-mai 枚 [unit for flat objects] L23
maiasa 毎朝 every morning L35
maiban 毎晩 every evening/night L36
maido 毎度 every time L18
maigetsu 毎月 L36
mainichi 毎日 L35
mairu ↓ 参る <V> (humbly) go/come [humble-polite alternative of iku/kuru;
mostly used as mairimasu in distal-style] L30
maishuu 毎週 L35
maitoshi 毎年 L36
maitsuki 毎月 L36
makase-ru 任せる <V> leave something to someone L92
makas-u 任す <V> leave something to someone L92
makkura 真っ暗 <na-N> pitch-dark L88
mama ママ mum, mummy L38
X mama まま without changing the state described as X L92
mamagoto ままごと playing house L84
manab-u 学ぶ <V> learn L82
man-ichi 万一 (in) a most unlikely event L56
manshon マンション condominium L19

marude まるで just like, as if, utterly L61
Marunouchi-guchi 丸ノ内口 Marunochi exit (of Tokyo Station) L28
Masato 正人 [Japanese male name] L88
mata また again L30
matome まとめ summary L53
matome-ru まとめる <V> wrap up, summarize L53
matsu 末 end (of a period) L36
mats-u 待つ <V> wait L32
mawar-u 回る <V> go round, rotate L94
mawas-u 回す <V> circulate L59
mayonaka 真夜中 midnight L79
mayo(w)-u 迷う <V> be puzzled/perplexed; lose one's way, get lost L90
mazu まず firstly, first of all L76
mazu saki ni まず先に first of all, before anything else L76
mazui まずい <A> distasteful L7
me 目 eye L58
X-me X目 X-th [suffix to indicate the numeral order; e.g. hitotsume 一目:
the first one] L83
A-me Aめ A-ish [suffix to blur A; e.g. hikume 低め: lowish] L99
me ga same-ru 目が覚める <V> wake up L70
me o samas-u 目を覚ます <V> is awakened L70
Meeji 明治 Meiji era L36
meetoru メートル meter L97
megane 目がね glasses, spectacles L66
menkyo 免許 a license L88
merodii メロディー melody L55
meron メロン melon L16
meshiagare! 召し上がれ please have some (of this food/drink) [polite command]
L75
meshiagar-u 召し上がる ↑ <V> eat, drink L73
mettani めったに rarely L63
mezame-ru 目覚める <V> wake up L70
mezurashii 珍しい <A> unusual, rare L80
miawase-ru 見合わせる <V> withhold, postpone; look at each other L83
michi 道 road L22/24
midori 緑 green L23
midoriiro 緑色 green L23
mie-ru 見える <V> is visible, see; arrive [polite] L25
migi 右 right L24

migigawa 右側 right-hand side L24
mijikai 短い <A> short L55
mikan ミカン tangerine L16
mikka 三日 three days, the 3rd day of month L35
mimi 耳 ear L58
mina 皆 all, everybody L37
minami 南 south L28
minamiguchi 南口 south exit L28
minamimuki 南向き south-facing L88
minara(w)-u 見習う <V> follow an example, imitate, learn L89
minasama 皆様 everybody [formal] L63
minasan 皆さん everybody [polite] L63
minna みんな all, everyone L37
miokuri 見送り seeing off someone L81
miokur-u 見送る <V> see/send someone off L81
Miraa ミラー Miller [an English surname] L20
mirai 未来 future (beyond one's lifetime) L82
mi-ru 見る <V> see, look at, watch L8
miruku ミルク milk L78
mise 店 shop, store L25
mise-ru 見せる <V> show L50
miso みそ soyabean paste L73
Missheru ミッシェル Michel, Michelle [French first name] L29
X-mitai Xみたい looks like X L61
mitsukar-u 見つかる <V> get found L83
mitsuke-ru 見つける <V> find, discover L83
mitsume-ru 見つめる <V> gaze/stare at L96
mitsumori 見積もり an estimate, proposal L82
mittsu 三つ three units L37
miyage 土産 souvenir L21
mizu 水 water L5
mizuiro 水色 light blue L65
mizuumi 湖 lake L45
X-mo Xも <phrase-particle> X as well L17
X-mo Y-mo XもYも both X and Y L17
mochikaer-u 持ち帰る <V> bring something back L98
mochiron 勿論 of course L29
modor-u 戻る <V> return (to where it was) L32
modos-u 戻す <V> return something (to where it was) L49

moji 文字 characters, letters L71
mokuhyoo 目標 a target L100
mokuteki 目的 objective, purpose L76
mokuyoobi 木曜日 Thursday L35
momiji 紅葉 maple; autumn leaves, fall foliage L62
momijigari 紅葉狩り going out to view autumn leaves L62
momo 桃 peach L16
mondai 問題 problem, a question L68
monku 文句 complaint L64
mono 物 a (tangible) thing L54
mono もの <clause-particle> because [giving a reason taken for granted] L97
V (shita) mono da ものだ used to do (V) L83
moo もう already L32
moo-X もう X another X, X more L22
mooshiage-ru ↓ 申し上げる <V> say, inform L98
mooshiwake 申し訳 an excuse [polite] L53
mooshiwake arimasen 申し訳ありません I apologize L53
mooshiwake nai 申し訳ない I'm sorry L53
moos-u ↓ 申す <V> say, call, tell [humble-polite alternative of i(w)-u; often used as mooshimasu in distal-style] L47
moosugu もうすぐ soon, shortly L36
mora(w)-u もらう <V> receive (from someone else) L50
mori 森 forest L59
moshi もし if L90
moshimoshi もしもし hello [in telephone conversation], hey [when trying to attract someone's attention] L30
moto 元 origin; original, initial L85
motomoto もともと originally, initially L95
mots-u 持つ <V> hold L46
mottainai もったいない <A> wasteful, too good to discard L50
motteik-u 持って行く <V> take something along L46
mottekuru 持って来る <V> bring something L46
motto もっと (still) more L54
muda 無駄 <na-N> wasteful, no use L50
muika 六日 six days, the 6th day of month L35
mukae 迎え receiving someone L81
mukae-ru 迎える <V> receive someone L81
mukai 向かい opposite (in terms of location) L91
mukashi 昔 a long time ago, ages ago L82

muke-ru 向ける <V> direct something to L88
mukoo むこう over there, place beyond L24
muk-u 向く <V> face to, look toward L88
mura 村 village L84
murasaki 紫 purple L23
muri 無理 <na-N> unreasonable, impossible L71
muri-suru 無理する <V> overdo oneself, work hard L71
muron 無論 of course L91
mushiatsui 蒸し暑い <A> muggy L45
mushiro むしろ rather L62
musuko 息子 son L38
musukosan 息子さん son [polite] L38
musume 娘 daughter, young girl L38
musumesan 娘さん daughter, young girl [polite] L38
muttsu 六つ six units L37
muzukashii 難しい <A> difficult L9
myooban 明晩 tomorrow evening [formal] L35
myoochoo 明朝 tomorrow morning [formal] L35
myoogonichi 明後日 the day after tomorrow [formal] L30
myoonichi 明日 tomorrow [formal] L30

V na Vな don't do (V) [negative command] L82
X-na Y XなY X-kind of Y, Y which is X L20
naa なあ <sentence particle> [speaker talking to himself] L49
naani? whaat? [elongation of nani] L44
nabe 鍋 a pan L69
X nado Xなど X for example, such as X L49
nagai 長い <A> long L55
Nagai 長井・永井 Nagai [Japanese surname] L39
nagame-ru 眺める <V> look/gaze on/at, watch L96
V-nagara Vながら while doing (V) L91
nagare-ru 流れる <V> flow L94
nagashi 流し a sink L66
nagas-u 流す <V> wash away, run (water) L94
nai ない <A> non-existent, missing L9
naihu ナイフ knife L69
naiyoo 内容 the content L53
naka 中 inside L55
naka ga ii 仲がいい <A> on good terms L97

naka ga warui 仲が悪い <A> on bad terms L97
Nakajima 中島 Nakajima [Japanese surname] L30
nakami 中身 the content L53
Nakamura 中村 [a Japanese surname] L14
nakanaka なかなか pretty, quite L37
nakanaka..nai なかなか…ない won't do (against expectation) L83
nakayoku-suru 仲よくする <V> make good friends, act friendly L97
nakayoshi 仲よし good friends L97
nak-u 鳴く・泣く <V> (animals/insects) make a sound; cry, sob, tear, weep L97na
kunar-u なくなる <V> disappear; pass away L38
nakus-u なくす <V> lose something/someone
namae 名前 name L58
namazu なまず catfish L59
nan 何 what L11
nana 七 seven L12
nanatsu 七つ seven units L37
nani 何 what L11
nanji 何時 what time L34
nanjikan 何時間 how many hours L34
X-nanka Xなんか X for example, such as X [colloquial form of nado] L49
nankagetsu 何か月 how many months L36
nannen 何年 which year; how many years L36
nannichi 何日 which date; how many days L35
nanoka 七日 seven days; the 7th day of month L35
nansai 何歳 how old L38
nanshuukan 何週間 how many weeks L35
X-nante Xなんて such a (trifle) thing as X for example L89
nantoiu-X 何というX X called what L58
nantoka なんとか somehow, barely L53
nan-yoobi 何曜日 what day of the week L35
Nanshii ナンシー Nancy [an English female name] L3
naor-u 治る・直る <V> recover, get well, get repaired L56
naos-u 治す・直す <V> cure, mend, repair, correct L52
V-naos-u Vなおす <V> do (V) something once again, redo (V) L76
Nara 奈良 Nara [the ancient capital of Japan] L6
nara(w)-u 習う <V> learn L31
nare-ru 慣れる・馴れる <V> become used to, become familiar, get tamed L68
nar-u なる <V> become L37
narubeku なるべく as much as possible L66

naruhodo なるほど I see; that explains it [an expression uttered when a convincing explanation is given] L61
nasar-u ↑ なさる do [honorific-polite alternative of suru; often used as nasaimasu in distal-style] L47
nashi 梨 pear L16
natsu 夏 summer L61
natsukashii 懐かしい <A> nostalgic L96
natto 納豆 fermented soy beans L73
nayam-u 悩む <V> be troubled/worried/distressed, suffer L90
naze なぜ why L44
ne 根 root L59
ne ね <sentence-particle> [confirmation seeker] L5
ne 値 price L98
neage 値上げ price raise L98
neage-suru 値上げする <V> raise a price L98
nebiki 値引き price reduction L98
nebiki-suru 値引きする <V> discount a price L98
neboo 寝坊 a sleepy head L70
neboo-suru 寝坊する <V> get up late, oversleep L70
nebusoku 寝不足 lack of sleep L70
nedan 値段 price L43
nedanteki(ni) 値段的に price-wise L99
nee ねえ <sentence-particle> [compassion seeker] L7
nee! ねえ say! hey! you-know-what? L45
nego ネゴ negotiation L53
negor-u ネゴる <V> negotiate L53
nego-suru ネゴする <V> negotiate L53
nekkuresu ネックレス necklace L66
neko 猫 cat L29
nekochan 猫ちゃん kitty L96
nemawashi 根回し groundwork L59
nemawashi-suru 根回しする do the groundwork L59
nemmatsu 年末 year end L36
nemui 眠い <A> sleepy L70
nemur-u 眠る <V> sleep L70
nen 念 deep thinking, caution L66
-nen 年 year [classifier for counting and naming years] L36
nen no tame 念のため for safety's sake, just in case, to be sure L66
nenree 年齢 age L38

ne-ru 寝る <V> go to bed, sleep L70
nesage 値下げ price reduction L98
nesage-suru 値下げする <V> lower a price L98
nesshin 熱心 <na-N> earnest, enthusiastic L95
nettsu 熱 heat, fever L56
nettai 熱帯 tropical zone L63
nettaigyo 熱帯魚 tropical fish L29
nettaiseeteekiatsu 熱帯性低気圧 tropical low pressure L63
ni 二 two L11
X-ni Xに <phrase-particle> at, in [location] L24; at, in, on [locating a point in time] L34
X-ni kanshite Xに関して concerning X, with regard to X L100
X-ni kagitte Xに限って as far as X is concerned L100
X-ni tsuite Xについて about/on X, concerning X L100
-nichi 日 day [classifier for counting and naming days] L35
nichijoo 日常 daily, day to day, usual(ly) L95
nichijooseekatsu daily life L95
nichiyoobi 日曜日 Sunday L35
nigai にがい <A> bitter L16
nigiyaka 賑やか <na-N> lively, busy, bustling, crowded L88
nihongo 日本語 Japanese language L4
nihonjin 日本人 a Japanese L12
nihonryoori 日本料理 Japanese food L54
nihonshoku 日本食 Japanese food L54
nihyaku 二百 two hundred L18
Nikkoo 日光 Nikko [a town north of Tokyo] L13
nikoniko にこにこ smiling L48
nikoniko-suru にこにこする <V> smile L48
niku 肉 meat L73
V-nikui Vにくい hard to do (V) L55
nimaime 二枚目 handsome man L39
nimotsu 荷物 luggage L95
-nin 人 [classifier for counting people] L38
ningyoo 人形 doll L84
ninki 人気 popularity; popular L94
nioi 匂い a smell L94
nio(w)-u 匂う smell L94
nishi 西 west L28
nishiguchi 西口 west L28

nittee 日程 itinerary, schedule L59
no の [nominal] chiisai no 小さいの a small one L19
X-no Y XのY X-related Y, X's Y, Y of X L20
nobas-u 延ばす <V> extend, postpone, stretch L90
nobe-ru 述べる describe, state, say L76
nobir-u 伸びる <V> grow, get extended/postponed L96
nochihodo 後ほど at a later time [polite and formal] L47
nodo 喉 throat L60
nokor-u 残る <V> remain, stay L74
nokos-u 残す <V> retain, leave something behind L74
nomase-ru 飲ませる <V> make someone drink L78
nombiri-suru のんびりする <V> relax L57
nome-ru 飲める <V> can drink L73
nomikui 飲み食い eating and drinking L66
nomimono 飲み物 a drink L54
nom-u 飲む <V> drink L5
noo 能 a *noh* play L8
nooka 農家 farmer, farm's house L89
nooryoku 能力 ability, capacity L100
nooto ノート notebook L23
norikae-ru 乗り換える <V> change vehicles L77
norimono 乗り物 vehicle L66
noriori 乗り降り getting on and off (an vehicle) L66
nor-u 乗る <V> get on, get onboard L66
nug-u 脱ぐ <V> take off (clothes, etc) L66
nuras-u 濡れる <V> get wet L77
nure-ru 濡らす <V> wet something L94
nurui ぬるい <A> lukewarm L45
nusum-u 盗む <V> steal L77
nyuugaku 入学 entering school L100
nyuugaku-suru 入学する <V> enter a school L100
Nyuuyooku ニューヨーク New York L30