

Japanese learning resources



Books

- *free* [Genki 1 & 2 textbooks](#)
- *free* [Minna no Nihongo 1 and 2](#)
- *paid* [5-minutes series](#)
- E-books/[でんししょせき](#)
 - *subscription* [Kindle](#) This is the Amazon JP Kindle store, you'll need a JP account to access kindle unlimited content. Fortunately, you can use the same email as your American account when signing up.
 - *free* [eBook Japan](#) Owned by Yahoo, so naturally its catalog will be quite questionable.
 - *free* [Honto](#) This website is fairly popular among ebook services in Japan.
 - *paid* [Melonbooks](#) This website features digital releases of convention doujins, such as stuff from Comiket and Comitia.
 - [Pixiv Comic](#) under the banner of Pixiv so it has a lot of popular content
 - [Nico Nico Seiga](#) Nico Nico but for manga, has hubs for common manga magazines/ebook sites.
 - *free* [Tonari no Young Jump](#) Seems to have single chapters of Shonen Jump mags
- *paid* [Dictionaries and Thesauri](#) A list of Dictionaries and Thesauri from the creator of [Jisho.org](#)

Programs

- [free Anki](#) THE GOAT. A Spaced-Repetition System, similar to Memrise or Duolingo, except you have control over the contents. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED: Set-up an AnkiWeb account to sync decks and scheduling info across platforms.
 - [free AnkiDroid](#) Anki for android.
 - [paid AnkiMobile](#) Anki for iOS. You guys are used to paying exorbitant fees for things anyway.
 - [paid ExpressVPN](#) or any Japan VPN really, allows you to access the Japanese libraries of certain streaming services and has the added benefit of having certain websites default to their Japanese directories.
 - [free Gboard](#) Keyboard with Godan, Katakana and Handwriting modes.
 - [free Google IME](#) The de-facto Input Method Editor. Use this to type in Japanese on a desktop computer, fairly simple set up.

Chromium Plugins

Chromium plugins(extensions) work in all chromium based browser, including Google Chrome and Microsoft Edge.

- [free Google Input Tools](#) Don't want to install the IME? Or do you want to be able to draw characters? Use input tools, it works similarly to Gboard, but on PC.
- [free LanguageTool](#) Grammar checker, like grammarly but works with multiple languages

Dictionary Highlighters

- [free Yomi-chan](#) The superior dictionary highlighting plugin. Allows for [custom dictionaries](#).
- [free Google Translate](#)
- [freemium Japanese.io Chrome Extension](#) dictionary highlighting plugin for chrome. Offers furigana and has connectivity with your Japanese.io account. doesn't seem to work on *absolutely every* website though
- [free Rikaikun](#) dictionary highlighting plugin for chrome. Works everywhere, though it doesn't always properly highlight words.

Websites

- Reference
 - [Jotoba](#) the sequel to Jisho! available as a [PWA](#).
 - [Tofugu](#) Probably the most famous grammar reference website. It's where I started.
 - [Wasabi-JPN](#) Grammar reference.
 - [Maggie-sensei](#) Fairly comprehensive grammar reference.
 - [JLPT Sensei](#) As the name suggests, catered to passing the JLPT
 - [Japanese WikiBook](#) Begging to be fleshed-out. Still useful for quick reference.
 - [Tatoeba](#) A repository of example sentences for vocabulary.
 - [Lyrical Nonsense](#) Lyrics for Japanese music. Focuses on Anime OPs and EDs

- [Japaneseonly Tamatebako](#) Thesaurus with slang terms
- [Japaneseonly Zokugo Dictionary](#) Slang term dictionary
- Community Learning
 - [freemium Tandem](#) A "language exchange" Website, that allows you to contact people of different native tongues to speak and practice, very feature rich. Mind the time-zone difference. Comes in App form too for mobile users.
 - [freemium HiNative](#) Allows you to check your grammatical errors with native speakers.
 - [Japanese StackExchange](#) A forum for learning Japanese. *Warning: StackExchange is kind of a stuffy, business-oriented reddit. Jokes are frowned upon.*
 - [r/LearnJapanese](#) Subreddit for learning Japanese.
- Reading
 - [freemium Japanese.io](#) This website allows you to read provided or user Japanese passages. It features furigana, tts, dictionary highlighting, user dictionary and the ability to scan PDFs for a subscription fee. Even features exporting your user dictionary to an anki deck!(though for some reason the text color is the same as the dark mode template, so you may need to edit it.)
 - [Hirogaru](#) Read about Japanese culture in a way designed for language learners
 - [Matcha-JP](#) similar to Hirogaru
 - [Satorireader](#) Seems to have the highest clout of the immersive reading services, features audio in many of its articles as well.
 - [Renshuu](#) Website/App, designed to be paired with the Genki Textbooks

Anki Decks

Public anki decks can be found [here](#).

Decks created by me: [JPN 1](#) [JPN 4](#)

JPN 2 and 3 coming soon. JPN 1 and 4 are WIP

Youtubers

- [KemushiChan](#) culture
- [Dogen](#) comedypitch-accent

Study Tips [incomplete]

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 [Yomi-chan](#)