

Reading and Writing Practice: Locations

Cover the two columns on the right, and practice reading the Japanese words. Then, cover the hiragana words on the left. Using the downloadable gridded paper from this site, see if you can write the words correctly.

1. まえ	mae	front
2. うしろ	ushiro	back; behind
3. よこ	yoko	side
4. となり	tonari	next; next door
5. そば	soba	next to
6. ちかく	chikaku	near
7. むこう	mukō	over there; beyond
8. てまえ	temae	this side
9. みぎ	migi	right
10. ひだり	hidari	left
11. ～がわ	X-gawa	X side
12. みぎがわ	migigawa	the right side
13. ひだりがわ	hidarigawa	the left side
14. むこうがわ	mukōgawa	the other side
15. まんなか	mannaka	center
16. まわり	mawari	around
17. あたり	atari	area
18. へん	hen	area
19. このへん	kono hen	this area; around here
20. ～のほう	X no hō	toward X
21. だいとかい	daitokai	big city; metropolitan area
22. かわら	kawara	river bank
23. はたけ	hatake	vegetable field
24. たんぼ	tanbo	rice field
25. どうろ	dōro	road
26. しゃどう	shadō	road for cars
27. ほどう	hodō	pedestrian path
28. せんろ	senro	railroad
29. かど	kado	corner
30. まがりかど	magarikado	corner; turning point
31. おうだんほどう	ōdan hodō	pedestrian crossing
32. ちゅうしゃじょう	chūshajō	parking lot
33. しょうてんがい	shōtengai	shopping strip
34. きっさてん	kissaten	coffee shop
35. きょうかい	kyōkai	Christian church
36. こうえん	kōen	park
37. としょかん	toshokan	library
38. ぎんこう	ginkō	bank
39. ゆうびんきょく	yūbinkyoku	post office
40. しやくしょ	shiyakusho	city hall
41. くやくしょ	kuyakusho	ward office

42. こうばん	kōban	police box
43. ほんや	honya	bookstore
44. やおや	yaoya	vegetable shop
45. にくや	nikuya	butcher
46. さかなや	sakanaya	fish market
47. はなや	hanaya	florist
48. さかや	sakaya	liquor store
49. まっすぐ	massugu	straight
50. まっすぐいきます (いく)	massugu ikimasu (iku)	to go straight
51. まがります (まがる)	magarimasu (magaru)	to turn
52. わたります (わたる)	watarimasu (wataru)	to cross
53. とおります (とおる)	tōrimasu (tōru)	to go through
54. はしります (はしる)	hashirimasu (hashiru)	to run
55. あるきます (あるく)	arukimasu (aruku)	to walk
56. はいります (はいる)	hairimasu (hairu)	to enter
57. でます (でる)	demasu (deru)	to go out; leave
58. つきます (つく)	tsukimasu (tsuku)	to arrive
59. とおりすぎます (とおりすぎる)	tōrisugimasu (tōrisugiru)	to pass
60. のります (のる)	norimasu (noru)	to ride; get on
61. おります (おりる)	orimasu (oriru)	to get off
62. のりかえます (のりかえる)	norikaemasu (norikaeru)	to change; transfer
63. とめます (とめる)	tomemasu (tomeru)	to stop (something)
64. とまります (とまる)	tomarimasu (tomaru)	to stop
65. ちゅうしゃします (する)	chūsha shimasu (suru)	to park

At the Station

1. えき	eki	station
2. えきなか	ekinaka	shopping mall inside a station
3. いりぐち	iriguchi	entrance
4. でぐち	deguchi	exit
5. きたぐち	kita guchi	north entrance
6. みなみぐち	minami guchi	south entrance
7. にしぐち	nishi guchi	west entrance
8. ひがしぐち	higashi guchi	east entrance
9. のりば	noriba	platform
10. きっぷうりば	kippu uriba	ticket office
11. かいさつぐち	kaisatsu guchi	ticket gate
12. きゅうこう	kyūkō	express
13. とっきゅう	tokkyū	special express
14. ふつう	futsū	regular
15. かくえき	kaku eki	regular train (stops all stations)
16. してつ	shitetsu	private line