Travel Word Cards

48 katakana words you will see in Japan — at the airport, the hotel, restaurants and shops.

How to print

1. Print on **thick paper** if you can.
2. Choose **two-sided printing**, "flip on long edge." The back shows the English and the romaji.
3. Cut along the dashed lines.

How to practice

- Read the katakana out loud — slowly, one beat at a time — then guess the English.
- Flip to check. Then say it again, flat and clear, the way Japanese speakers say it.
- Take the cards on the plane and practice on your way to Japan!

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Airport and Station

パスポート

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チケット

Airport and Station

ゲート

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バス

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タクシー

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ホーム

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トイレ

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エレベーター

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ticket

chi·ke·t·to

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passport

pa·su·po·o·to

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bus

ba·su

Airport and Station

gate

ge·e·to

Airport and Station

platform

ho·o·mu

Short for “platform.”

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taxi

ta·ku·shi·i

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elevator

e·re·be·e·ta·a

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restroom

to·i·re

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エスカレーター

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コインロッカー

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スーツケース

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coin locker

ko·i·n·ro·k·ka·a

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escalator

e·su·ka·re·e·ta·a

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map

ma·p·pu

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suitcase

su·u·tsu·ke·e·su

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Hotel

ホテル

Hotel

フロント

Hotel

チェックイン

Hotel

チェックアウト

Hotel

ルーム

Hotel

キー

Hotel

タオル

Hotel

シャワー

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Hotel

front desk

fu·ro·n·to

From “front desk.”

Hotel

hotel

ho·te·ru

Hotel

check-out

che·k·ku·a·u·to

Hotel

check-in

che·k·ku·i·n

Hotel

key

ki·i

Hotel

room

ru·u·mu

Hotel

shower

sha·wa·a

Hotel

towel

ta·o·ru

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Hotel

ベッド

Hotel

エアコン

Hotel

コンセント

Hotel

ワイファイ

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Hotel

air conditioner

e·a·ko·n

Short for “air conditioner.”

Hotel

bed

be·d·do

Hotel

Wi-Fi

wa·i·fa·i

Hotel

outlet (for plugs)

ko·n·se·n·to

Japan-made English for an outlet.

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メニュー

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ラーメン

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カレー

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コーヒー

Food and Drinks

ジュース

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ビール

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ワイン

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ケーキ

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ramen

ra·a·me·n

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menu

me·nyu·u

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coffee

ko·o·hi·i

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curry

ka·re·e

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beer

bi·i·ru

From the Dutch word bier.

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juice

ju·u·su

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cake

ke·e·ki

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wine

wa·i·n

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Food and Drinks

アイスクリーム

Food and Drinks

サラダ

Food and Drinks

パン

Food and Drinks

デザート

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salad

sa·ra·da

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ice cream

a·i·su·ku·ri·i·mu

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dessert

de·za·a·to

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bread

pa·n

Not English! From Portuguese pão.

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Shopping

レジ

Shopping

レシート

Shopping

クレジットカード

Shopping

セール

Shopping

サイズ

Shopping

コンビニ

Shopping

スーパー

Shopping

デパート

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Shopping

receipt

re·shi·i·to

Shopping

checkout

re·ji

Short for “cash register.”

Shopping

sale

se·e·ru

Shopping

credit card

ku·re·ji·t·to·ka·a·do

Shopping

convenience store

ko·n·bi·ni

Short for “convenience store.”

Shopping

size

sa·i·zu

Shopping

department store

de·pa·a·to

Short for “department store.”

Shopping

supermarket

su·u·pa·a

Short for “supermarket.”

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Shopping

ドラッグストア

Shopping

マスク

Shopping

スマホ

Shopping

インフォメーション

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Shopping

mask

ma·su·ku

Shopping

drugstore

do·ra·g·gu·su·to·a

Shopping

information

i·n·fo·me·e·sho·n

Shopping

smartphone

su·ma·ho

Short for “smartphone.”

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