

Study sheet - Japanese

HIRAGANA

used for Japanese words

	a	i	u	e	o
-	あ a	い i	う u	え e	お o
k-	か ka	き ki	く ku	け ke	こ ko
s-	さ sa	し shi	す su	せ se	そ so
t-	た ta	ち chi	つ tsu	て te	と to
n-	な na	に ni	ぬ nu	ね ne	の no
h-	は ha	ひ hi	ふ fu	へ he	ほ ho
m-	ま ma	み mi	む mu	め me	も mo
y-	や ya		ゆ yu		よ yo
r-	ら ra	り ri	る ru	れ re	ろ ro
w-	わ wa				を wo

n - ん

- for g-, z-, d-, b- sounds, we add the っ (called "tenten") at the K, S, T and H rows, respectively
ex: が(GA), ざ(ZA), だ(DA), ば(BA)
- for p- sounds, we add the っ at the H row
ex: ぱ(PA)
- we can put together a letter with a "small" や, ゆ, or よ for more complex sounds
ex: きゃ (KYA), みよ (MYO), ちゅ (CHU)
- we can repeat the sound of a letter adding a "small" つ in front of it
ex: ざっし (zasshi - the S sound is stronger)