

Kanji

Book

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**Basic rules for writing all kanji**

* + - 1. Top to bottom



* + - 1. Left to right



* + - 1. Where two strokes cross, horizontal lines usually, but not always, precede vertical lines



* + - 1. Boxes are written in three strokes. The final stroke closes the box from left to right at the bottom



* + - 1. Centre first then left to right



* + - 1. Perpendicular central lines are written last



* + - 1. Right-to-left diagonal strokes precedes left-to-right



The readings of kanji given in hiragana are called *kunyomi*. This means that these are the original Japanese words and they usually occur on their own.

Mountain やま 山

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The readings given in katakana are called *onyomi*. These are reading derived from Chinese and they usually occur as compound words.

Volcano　 かざん 火山

*\* indicates mandatory kanji required by the QLD Senior Syllabus*

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| 1 \*One | 一 | イチ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ひと（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2 \*Two | 二 | ニ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ふた（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 3 \*Three | 三 | サン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| みっ（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 4 \*Four | 四 | シ・ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| よんよっ（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 5 \*Five | 五 | ゴ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| いっ（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 6 \*Six | 六 | ロク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| むっ（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 7 \*Seven | 七 | シチ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 8 \*Eight | 八 | ハチ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| やっ（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 9 \*Nine | 九 | キュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ここの（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 10 \*Ten | 十 | ジュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 11 \*Hundred | 百 | ヒャク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 12 \*Thousand | 千 | せん |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 13 \*Ten thousand | 万 | セン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 14 \*In;inside;middle;Centre | 中 | チュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 15 \*Person | 人 | ジン、ニン、 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 16 \*Now | 今 | コン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| いま |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 17 Noon | 午 | ゴ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 18 \*Half | 半 | ハン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 19 \*Right  | 右 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| みぎ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 20 \*Soil; ground  | 土 | ド |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| つち |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 21 \*Large; big  | 大 | ダイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おお（きい） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 22 \*Woman; female | 女 | ジョ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おんな |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 23 \*Like; pleasing | 好 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| す（き） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 24 Begin; start | 始 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| はじ（める） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 25 \*Child | 子 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 26 \*Water | 水 | スイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| みず |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 27 \*Fire | 火 | カ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ひ、び |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 28 \*Life; birth | 生 | セイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| じゅう、うま |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 29 \*Male | 男 | ダン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おとこ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 30Flower | 花 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 31 \*Going; journey | 行 | コウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| い（く） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 32 \*See; look (at) | 見 | ケン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| み（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 33 \*Word; speech; language | 語 | ゴ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 34\*Gold | 金 | キン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| （お）かね |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 35 \*Rest; vacation | 休 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| やす（む） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 36 \*What | 何 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| なに,なん |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 37 \*Beginning; origin; foundation | 元 | ゲン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| もと |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 38 \*Enter; insert | 入 | ニュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| はい（る）い（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 39 \*Yen | 円 | エン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 40 \*Minute; part; understand | 分 | フン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| わ（ける） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 41 Buddhist temple | 寺 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| てら |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 42 \*Little; small | 小 | ショウコ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ちい（さい） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 43 \*Years old | 才 | サイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 44 \*Direction; person; alternative | 方 | ホウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| かた、がた |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 45 \*Day; sun; japan | 日 | ニチ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ひ、び、か |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 46 \*Month; moon | 月 | ガツ、 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| つき |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 47 \*Tree; wood | 木 | モク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| き |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 48 \*Book; foundation; true; real | 本 | ホン、ボン、ポン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| もと |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 49 \*Stop  | 止 | ツ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| と（まる） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 50Correct | 正 | ショウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ただ（しい） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 51Kanji mark-repeat the preceding kanji | 々 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 52 \*Write | 書 | ショ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 53 \*Above; up | 上 | ジョウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| うえ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 54 \*Below; down; descend; give | 下 | カ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 55 \*Capital | 京 | キョウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 56Body | 体 | タイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 57 \*Elder brother | 兄 | キョウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| あに、(お)に(さん) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 58 \*Before; ahead; previous | 先 | セン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| さき |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 59 Inside; within, between, among; house | 内 | ナイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| うち |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 60 \*Friend  | 友 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 61 \*Mouth  | 口 | コウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 62 Old  | 古 | コ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ふる（い） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 63 \*Father  | 父 | フ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 64 \*Rice field | 田 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 65 \* Town; block | 町 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **まち** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 66Turn; number in a series | 番 | バン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 67 \*Eye | 目 | モク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 68 \*Private; I; me | 私 | ツ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| わたし |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 69 \*Ear | 耳 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| みみ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 70England; English | 英 | エイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 71 Tea  | 茶 | チャ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 72 \*Say | 言 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 73 \*Name; noted | 名 | ナイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 74 Younger sister | 妹 | マイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| いもうと |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 75 \*Elder sister | 姉 | ツ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| あね、（お）ね(さん) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 76Younger brother | 弟 | ダイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おとうと |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 77 Wait | 待 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 78 \*Hand | 手 | 〔ジョウ〕ズ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 79 Morning | 朝 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 80Grove; forest | 林 | リン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| はやし |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 81 \*Mother | 母 | ボ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| はは、（お）かあ（さん） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 82 Every  | 毎 | マイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 83 \*Tale; talk | 話 | ワ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| はな（す）はなし |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 84 \*Read  | 読 | ドク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| よ（む） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 85 \*Car | 車 | シャ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| くるま |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 86 \*Electricity | 電 | デン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 87 \*Eat; food | 食 | ショク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| た（べる） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 88 \*Ride; board | 乗 | ジョウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| の（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 89 \*Meeting; meet; association | 会 | カイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 90 Reside; live; inhabit | 住 | ジュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 91 \*In front; before | 前 | ゼン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 92 To change; take the form of | 化 | カ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 93 Employee; member | 員 | イン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 94 \*Country | 国 | コク、ゴク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 95 \*Outside | 外 | ガイ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| そと |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 96 \*Drink; smoke; take (eg a medicine) | 飲 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 97 \*Few; little | 少 | ショウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| すこ（し）そく（ない） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |
| 98 Return home | 帰 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| かえ（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 99 \*Think | 思 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おも（う） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 100 Literature; sentence | 文 | ブン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 101 \*Come; next; become | 来 | ライ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| く（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 102 Next | 次 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| つぎ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 103 \*Buy | 買 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| か（う） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 104 \*Week | 週 | シュウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 105 Long; leader; chief | 長 | チョウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 106 \*Interval; space | 間 | カン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| あいだ、ま |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 107 \*Rain | 雨 | ウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| あめ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 108 Make; build | 作 | サク |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| つく（る） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 109 \*Same | 同 | ドウ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| おな（じ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 110 \*Summer | 夏 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| なつ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 111 \*Mountain | 山 | サン，ザン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| やま |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 112 \*Stream; river | 川 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| かわ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 113 \*Store; shop | 店 | テン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 114 Hold; have; possess | 持 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| も（つ） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 115 \*New | 新 | ツン |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 121 Metropolis; capital | 都 | ト |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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