YumeSprout

JAPANESE LEARNING SERIES

VOLUME 01

# JAPANESE FROM ZERO

YOUR FIRST STEP TO LEARNING JAPANESE

LEVEL: COMPLETE BEGINNER



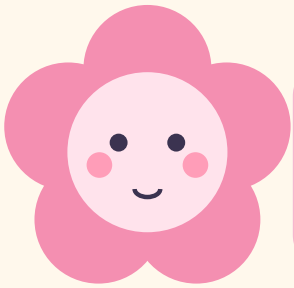

*Discover the Beauty of Japanese, One Character at a Time.*

HIRAGANA | KATAKANA | BASIC GRAMMAR | VOCABULARY

A YUMESPROUT WORKBOOK

# Welcome to YumeSprout!

**Goal:** Know what this book is and what you will learn.



こんにちは！

Konnichiwa! (kon-ni-chi-wa)

Hello! I am Sakura. Welcome to your Japanese journey!



YumeSprout (夢 = yume = dream, sprout = a tiny seed that grows) is made for one idea: every dream starts as a small seed. Aapka Japanese seekhne ka sapna bhi bas ek chhote kadam se shuru hota hai, aur yeh book wahi pehla kadam hai.

## In this book you will learn:

あ **Hiragana & Katakana**
The two Japanese alphabets (kana).

語 **First Words**
Greetings, numbers, colours, family.

食 **Daily Life**
Food, places, animals, verbs, adjectives.

文 **Basic Grammar**
Sentence order, particles, です/ます.

**Is book ke baad aap kar paoge:**

- Hiragana & Katakana padhna
- Simple sentences banana
- Khud ka introduction dena
- Daily conversations samajhna



**Mochi Tip**
Japanese seekhna mushkil nahi hai! Roz sirf 15 minute practise karo. Chhoti-chhoti jeet pe sticker lagao. Slow and steady wins!

Aapka naam likho: _____

Mera Japanese goal: _____

**Important Note: JLPT**
This workbook introduces selected beginner concepts useful for starting JLPT N5 preparation. It is not a complete JLPT N5 preparation course.

# How to Use This Workbook

**Goal:** Learn the 5-step lesson pattern and see your roadmap.

## Har lesson me yeh 5 steps hain:

1. **Read** — Concept simple Hinglish me padho.
2. **Say** — Romaji aur Hinglish sound ko zor se bolo.
3. **See** — Japanese character aur example dekho.
4. **Write** — Boxes me khud likh ke practise karo.
5. **Revise** — Revision box se yaad pakka karo.

## Your Learning Roadmap

1 **Welcome** Pages 1-4
2 **Writing System** Pages 5-17
3 **First Words** Pages 18-24
4 **Daily Life** Pages 25-31
5 **Grammar** Pages 32-39
6 **Speak Japanese** Pages 40-44
7 **Fun & Revision** Pages 45-48
8 **Final Revision** Pages 49-50

**Mochi Tip**

Har page par neeche ek page number aur upar "Goal" diya hai. Pehle Goal padho, phir lesson. Answers har exercise page ke neeche chhoti line me diye gaye hain: pehle khud try karo! Jahan "Optional Audio" QR placeholder dikhe, wahan future me pronunciation audio jodi ja sakti hai (abhi sirf placeholder hai).

## Daily Study Tracker (7 days):

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

**Quick Revision**

Roz 15 minute = 1 page ya 1 lesson
Bolo, likho, phir dohrao (say, write, repeat)

# Meet the Japanese Scripts

**Goal:** Understand Hiragana, Katakana, Kanji and Romaji.

Japanese me 3 scripts saath me use hoti hain, aur Romaji (English letters) sirf aapki madad ke liye hai. Chinta mat karo: hum ek-ek karke seekhenge!

あ

**HIRAGANA** ひらがな

46 basic sounds. Japanese words aur grammar ke liye. Round, soft shapes.

ア

**KATAKANA** カタカナ

46 basic sounds. Foreign words (coffee, hotel, bus) aur names ke liye. Sharp, straight shapes.

日

**KANJI** 漢字

Chinese-origin characters that carry MEANING. Ek kanji ke kai matlab aur kai readings ho sakte hain (jaise 日: ひ, にち, び... context se padha jata hai).

A

**ROMAJI** ローマ字

Japanese ko English letters me likhna. Bas shuruat me help ke liye.

**Ek hi sentence, 4 tarike se: "I am a student."**

| | |
|---|---|
| Hiragana | わたしは がくせい です。 |
| Katakana (demo only) | ワタシハ ガクセイ デス。 |
| Kanji + Hiragana | 私は 学生 です。 |
| Romaji | Watashi wa gakusei desu. |

Note: Poora sentence Katakana me likhna sirf demonstration hai. Normal Japanese me aisa nahi likha jata: Katakana mainly foreign words aur names ke liye hai.

**Mochi Tip**

Japanese ka sound Hindi ya English se bilkul same nahi hota. Jaise "u" ke time hothon ko zyada gol mat karo. Hamesha Hinglish guide ko ek shuruaati madad samjho, aur asli audio sunna mat bhulo.

**Practice: Match the script to its job (write A, B or C)**

1. Hiragana ____
2. Katakana ____
3. Kanji ____

A. foreign words like コーヒー
B. picture-meaning characters like 日
C. basic Japanese words & grammar

*Answers: 1-C, 2-A, 3-B*

# Introduction to Hiragana (ひらがな)

QR **OPTIONAL AUDIO**
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*(coming soon)*

**Goal:** Know what Hiragana is and how the chart works.

Hiragana Japanese ka sabse pehla alphabet hai. Isme 46 basic sounds hain. Har character ek poora sound (syllable) hota hai, jaise Hindi me "क", "का". Bas yaad rakho: 5 vowels + consonant groups.

## The 5 Vowels あ い う え お (sab se zaroori!)

| あ | い | う | え | お |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **a** | **i** | **u** | **e** | **o** |
| *a (aam)* | *i (imli)* | *u (ullu)* | *e (ek)* | *o (oh)* |

### How to read the chart:

- Chart ko left se right padho: a, i, u, e, o ki order me.
- Upar wali line (row) = consonant. Jaise K-row: ka, ki, ku, ke, ko.
- Stroke order: upar se neeche, left se right.
- Hiragana ke 10 rows = 46 characters, pages 6 se 9 tak.

**Special: は, を and へ (particles ke time alag sound)**
Normal character me は = "ha", へ = "he", を = "o" (o jaisa). Lekin particle ke roop me は = "wa", へ = "e". Detail grammar section me (page 33).

**Mochi Tip**
Hiragana ek din me nahi aata. Roz 5 characters seekho aur pichhle din ke dohrao. 10 din me poora chart aapka!

Practice: Circle the vowels. か あ き い さ う た え な お

あ い う え お = _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ (write romaji)

**Quick Revision**
Hiragana = 46 basic sounds
5 vowels: a i u e o

**Mera Practice Space**
Aaj ke naye words 3-3 baar likho aur bolo:

Great Job!

*Answers: vowels: あ い う え お; a i u e o*