



Key Japanese Words/Phrases

Japanese (*nihongo*) English (*eigo*)

Greetings

ohayō gozaimasu (<i>oh hi yoh-- go zah ee mas</i>)	good morning
konnichiwa (<i>kohn knee chee wah</i>)	hello
sayōnara (<i>sah yoh-- nah rah</i>)	good bye
arigatō gozaimasu (<i>ah ree gah toe--go zah ee mas</i>)	thank you

In School

gakkō (<i>gah koh--</i>)	school
sensei (<i>sen say</i>)	teacher
yoku dekimashita (<i>yoh coo deh key mah shta</i>)	well done!

In the House

tatami (<i>tah tah me</i>)	floor mats
tokonoma (<i>toe koh no mah</i>)	alcove
shoji (<i>show jee</i>)	white paper doors
fusuma (<i>foo sue mah</i>)	heavy paper doors

Other Words to Know

Morikami (<i>moh ree kah me</i>)	the last name of the man who donated the museum property
bonsai (<i>bone sigh</i>)	small tree in a pot
yen	bills: 1000, 5000, 10000 coins: 1,5,10, 20, 50, 100, 500
Hokkaido (<i>ho kai doe</i>)	north island
Honshu (<i>hone shoe</i>)	main island, largest island
Shikoku (<i>she koh coo</i>), Kyushu (<i>cue shoe</i>)	the two smaller southern islands
kimono (<i>key moh no</i>), tabi (<i>tah bee</i>), zori (<i>zoh ree</i>)	silk traditional clothing, white socks, footwear
yukata (<i>you kah tah</i>), geta (<i>gay tah</i>)	summer cotton traditional clothing, wooden footwear