

## Chapter 1

## New Kanji in this Chapter

# 609 至 (2)	# 610 極 (3)	# 611 然 (2)	# 612 到 (1)
# 613 丈 (2)	# 614 夫 (4)	# 615 可 (1)	# 616 能 (1)

## Vocabulary List with Mnemonics

## from the Kanji Catalogue

至る	itaru = to lead to, to reach, to result in; <i>this road <u>leads to</u> some <u>Italian ruins</u></i>
至急	shikyuu = immediately, urgently; <i>the <u>sheep were cute</u>, but I had to go to the bathroom <u>urgently</u></i>
至難の	shinan no = extremely difficult; <i>the <u>sheets that the nanny had torn were extremely difficult to repair</u></i>
南極	nankyoku = the Antarctic or South Pole; <i>my <u>nanny drank Kyoto Kool-Aid when she went to the Antarctic</u></i>
極力	kyokuryoku = as much as possible, to the best of one's ability; <i>after drinking <u>Kyoto Kool-Aid</u>, Pope <u>Leo bakes cookies to the best of his ability</u></i>
至極	shigoku = extremely; <i>the <u>sheep and the goats like Kool-Aid</u>, but it makes them <u>extremely fat</u></i>
極める	kiwameru = to attain or master; <i>the <u>key to war is to have a merciless ruler who can master his soldiers</u></i>
極めて	kiwamete = extremely; <i>the <u>quiche and waffels that I ate in a Mexican tent were extremely good</u></i>
全然	zenzen = not at all in negative sentences, completely in positive sentences; <i>to sit in one <u>Zen session followed by another Zen session is not at all what I want to do</u></i>
自然	shizen = nature; <i>both <u>Shinto and Zen favor the preservation of Nature</u></i>
当然	touzen = justly, natural; <i>if you only dip a <u>toe into Zen</u>, you will <u>justly</u> not achieve enlightenment</i>
天然	tennen = natural; <i><u>ten nen [years] ago</u>, this was all a <u>natural forest</u></i>
到着する	touchaku suru = to arrive; <i><u>Tony Blair drank champagne in Kuwait while he waited for the emir to arrive</u></i>

## Kanji Pronunciations

# 609 – ita, shi	# 610 – kyoku, goku, kiwa	# 611 – zen, nen	# 612 – tou
# 613 – jou, take	# 614 – otto, fuu, fu, bu	# 615 – ka	# 616 – nou

到来する	tourai suru = to arrive; <i>I will eat <u>toast</u> and <u>rice</u> after I <u>arrive</u></i>
丈夫	joubu = healthy, hearty, strong; <i>Joan of Arc was a <u>boon</u> to the French cause, since she was <u>healthy</u>, <u>hearty</u>, and <u>strong</u></i>
大丈夫	daijoubu = all right; <i>the <u>diet</u> that <u>Job</u> recommended was <u>all right</u></i>
丈	take = size, height; <i>this guy drinks a <u>tall keg</u> every day, which might explain his <u>size</u></i>
夫	otto = husband; <i>Otto Preminger was a good <u>husband</u></i>
工夫	kufuu = ingenuity; <i>it was a <u>cooler</u> full of <u>food</u>, packed with considerable <u>ingenuity</u></i>
水夫	suifu = a sailor; <i>sailors like <u>sweet food</u></i>
可愛い	kawaii = cute; <i>some of the <u>cars</u> in <u>Hawaii</u> are <u>cute</u>; (the “w” is inserted as a bridge to make the pronunciation smoother, compared to saying “ka aii”)</i>
可能	kanou = possible; <i>it's <u>possible</u> to cook it with <u>Canola</u> oil</i>
不可能	fukanou = impossible; from fu = negation + kanou = possible
能力	nouryoku = ability, competence, skill; <i>in <u>Norway</u>, <u>Pope Leo</u> made <u>Kool-Aid</u>, demonstrating his <u>ability</u>, <u>competence</u> and <u>skill</u></i>
有能	yuunou = able, competent; <i>you <u>know</u> I'm <u>competent</u></i>
性能	seinou = performance, efficiency; <i><u>sane</u> old people demonstrate good <u>performance</u> and <u>efficiency</u> on our tests</i>
能	nou = Noh, old-style Japanese theater

#### from the Practice Sentences

服用する	fukuyou suru = to take medicine; <i>eating <u>Fukuoka</u> yogurt is like <u>taking medicine</u></i>
可能性	kanousei = a possibility; <i>it's a <u>possibility</u> to cook with <u>Canola</u> and <u>save</u> money</i>
からかう	karakau = to ridicule or jeer; <i>in <u>Caracas</u> the <u>cows</u> are <u>ridiculed</u></i>
北極星	hokkyokusei = North Star; <i>at the <u>hotel</u>, we drank <u>Kyoto Kool-Aid</u>, and then we set <u>sail</u> using the <u>North Star</u> as a reference</i>
時間内	jikannai = on time; from jikan = time + nai = inside or within

#### Practice Sentences

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| 1. 一日でもこの薬を服用しなければ死に至る。 | Ichinichi demo kono kusuri wo fukuyou shinakereba shi ni itaru.<br>Even one day, if he doesn't take this medicine, it will lead to death. |
| 2. これは極めて珍しい。           | Kore wa kiwamete mezurashii.<br>As for this, it's extremely rare.   |

3. 彼女が怒るのも当然だ。  
Kanojo ga okoru no mo touzen da.  
For her to get mad even is natural.
4. 到着は何時ですか。  
Touchaku wa nanji desu ka.  
What time is the arrival?
5. 彼はとても丈夫だ。  
Kare wa totemo joubu da.  
He is very strong.
6. 可能性あるかな？  
Kanousei aru kana?  
Is there a possibility, I wonder?
7. 至極当然のことだ。  
Shigoku touzen no koto da.  
It's an extremely natural thing.
8. 彼は最後に到着した。  
Kare wa saigo ni touchaku shita.  
He arrived last.
9. 彼女は夫をからかった。  
Kanojo wa otto wo karakatta.  
She ridiculed her husband.
10. 見て、あれは北極星だよ。  
Mite, are wa hokkyokusei da yo.  
Look, that is the North Star, for sure.
11. あなたは有能な方ですね。  
Anata wa yuunou na kata desu ne.  
You are a competent person, huh.
12. これ、可愛いな。  
Kore, kawaii na.  
This is cute.
13. 至急お願いします。  
Shikyuu onegai shimasu.  
Immediately, I beg you.
14. 全然大丈夫だよ。  
Zenzen daijoubu da yo.  
Everything is OK, for sure.
15. 彼は時間内に到着した。  
Kare wa jikan nai ni touchaku shita.  
He arrived in time.
16. それはほとんど不可能だ。  
Sore wa hotondo fukanou da.  
As for that, it's almost impossible.
17. すごく顔色が悪いよ！大丈夫？  
Sugoku kao iro ga warui yo! Daijoubu?  
Terribly the face color is bad, for sure.  
Are you OK?
18. 全然痛くないよ。  
Zenzen itakunai yo.  
It doesn't hurt at all, for sure.
19. 天然ガスは空気より軽い。  
Tennen gasu wa kuuki yori karui.  
As for natural gas, compared to air, it's light.

## Chapter 2

## New Kanji in this Chapter

# 617 才 (1)	# 618 解 (3)	# 619 確 (2)	# 620 卓 (2)
# 621 超 (2)	# 622 頑 (1)	# 623 迷 (3)	# 624 惑 (2)

## Vocabulary List with Mnemonics

## from the Kanji Catalogue

九十才	kyuujussai = 90 years old; from kyuujuu = 90 + sai = age; <i>he lived to an advanced age due to <u>science</u></i>
才能	sainou = talent; <i>he has a <u>talent</u> for <u>sighing</u> through his nose</i>
天才	tenasai = genius; <i>ten <u>scientists</u> said that he is a <u>genius</u></i>
理解	rikai = understanding; <i>reading the <u>Kaiser's</u> writings, I achieved <u>understanding</u></i>
解ける	tokeru = to be solved or untied, intransitive; <i>the <u>toys</u> that <u>Kennedy</u> kept in his <u>room</u> were tied up in bundles, and they got <u>untied</u>; cf. 溶ける tokeru = to melt away or dissolve, # 815</i>
解く	toku = to untie, unfasten, solve; <i>he <u>solved</u> the problem by adding <u>tomato</u> juice to the <u>Kool-Aid</u></i>
解決	kaiketsu = solution, settlement, resolution; <i>the <u>Kaiser</u> poured <u>ketchup</u> into his <u>soup</u> as he pondered a <u>settlement</u>, <u>solution</u> or <u>resolution</u> of his problem</i>
読解	dokkai = reading comprehension; <i>the <u>dopes</u> who work for the <u>Kaiser</u> have poor <u>reading comprehension</u></i>
正確	seikaku = precise, accurate, exact; <i>when <u>sane</u> people <u>kaku</u> [write], their writing is <u>accurate</u> and <u>exact</u></i>
確かに	tashika ni = for sure, certainly; <i>if you take a <u>takushii</u> (taxi) and bring a <u>camera</u> to my niece, she will <u>certainly</u> be able to take some photos</i>
確かめる	tashikameru = to ascertain or confirm; <i>if you take a <u>takushii</u> (taxi) and bring a <u>camera</u>, you can take photos of the <u>rooster</u> &amp; <u>ascertain</u> its qualities</i>
食卓	shokutaku = a dining table; <i>I <u>showed</u> her the <u>Kool-Aid</u> which I made by combining <u>tap</u> water and <u>Kool-Aid</u> powder at the <u>dining table</u></i>
卓球	takkyuu = pingpong; <i>some <u>tacky</u> youths are playing <u>pingpong</u></i>

## Kanji Pronunciations

# 617 – sai	# 618 – kai, to, ge	# 619 – kaku, tashi	# 620 – taku, ta
# 621 – chou, ko	# 622 – gan	# 623 – mai, mei, mayo	# 624 – mado, waku

頑張る

ganbaru = to persevere, to do one's best; *when Gandalf is at a bar with his roommates, he does his best to control his drinking*

超人的

choujinteki = superhuman; from chou = super; *Margaret Cho did a super job during her performance; + jin = person + teki = related to*

頑丈

ganjou = sturdy, strong; *Gandalf and Joan of Arc are sturdy and strong*

迷子

maigo = a lost person; *I might go look for that lost person*

迷信

meishin = superstition; *maybe Shintoism is based on superstition*

迷惑

meiwaku = trouble, annoyance; *the way that May walks spells trouble*

迷う

mayou = to lose direction, get lost; *I got lost in the mayonnaise factory*

惑わす

madowasu = to delude or seduce; *outside the mado (window) was Superman, trying to delude me*

当惑

touwaku = embarrassment, bewilderment; *when I accidentally drank toner during the War on Kool-Aid, it caused me embarrassment*

## from the Practice Sentences

木星

mokusei = Jupiter; *there's more Kool-Aid in the Safeway stores on Jupiter*

惑星

wakusei = a planet; *waffle mix and Kool-Aid packages are sold at all of the Safeway stores on the planet*

正解

seikai = a correct answer; *a sage told the Kaiser the correct answer*

念入り

nen'iri = elaborate, meticulous; *my negative nephew irritates people with his elaborate arguments*

信頼

shinrai = trust, confidence, reliance; *I have confidence in Shinto rice*

## from Satori Reader

直行便

chokkoubin = a nonstop flight; *I chose corn and beans to eat on the nonstop flight*

英会話

eikaiwa = English conversation; from eigo = English + kaiwa = conversation

やって行く

yatte iku = to get along, manage; from yaru = to do + iku = to go

どきどき

dokidoki = thump-thump, pitter-patter, to palpitate; from the sound a heart makes when it beats

ものの

monono = but, although; *he plays monotonous notes, but he's considered a musician*

## Practice Sentences

1. 彼女は8才だ。

Kanojo wa hassai da.  
She is 8 years old.

2. 全て理解していますか。

Subete rikai shite imasu ka.  
Are you understanding everything?

3. 私の時計は君のより正確だ。  
 Watashi no tokei wa kimi no yori seikaku da.  
 My watch is more accurate than yours.
4. 食卓にたくさんの皿が残っている。  
 Shokutaku ni takusan no sara ga nokotte iru.  
 On the dining table, a lot of dishes are remaining.
5. 超疲れた！  
 Chou tsukareta!  
 I got super tired!
6. 試験頑張ってね。  
 Shiken ganbatte ne.  
 Do your best on the test, huh.
7. 彼女は道に迷った。  
 Kanojo wa michi ni mayotta.  
 She lost her way.
8. 彼は才能のある人だ。  
 Kare wa sainou no aru hito da.  
 He is a talented person.
9. 木星は大きい惑星ですね。  
 Mokusei wa ookii wakusei desu ne.  
 Jupiter is a big planet, huh.
10. 彼は念入りに書類を確かめた。  
 Kare wa nen'iri ni shorui wo tashikameta.  
 He checked the documents meticulously.
11. 今人気の「おばあちゃんの食卓」に行っていたことがありますか。  
 Ima ninki no "obaachan no shokutaku" ni itta koto ga arimasu ka.  
 Have you been to the now-popular "Grandma's Dining Table"?
12. 夢に向かって頑張ってね。  
 Yume ni mukatte ganbatte ne.  
 Head toward your dream, and do your best, huh.
13. ピンポン、ピンポン！正解です！  
 Pinpon, pinpon! Seikai desu.  
 Ding, ding! It's the correct answer.
14. 今日は超寒い。  
 Kyou wa chou samui.  
 Today is super cold.
15. もう誰にも迷惑かけたくない。  
 Mou dare ni mo meiwaku kaketakunai.  
 I don't want to cause trouble for anyone anymore.
16. 確かに彼は信頼できます。  
 Tashika ni kare wa shinrai dekimasu.  
 Certainly you can rely on him.

17. 彼はテニスも卓球もうまい。  
Kare wa tennis mo takkyuu mo umai.  
As for him, tennis also, pingpong also, skillful.
18. 旅先では迷子になりやすい。  
Tabisaki de wa maigo ni nariyasui.  
At travel destinations, it's easy to become a lost person.
19. 彼って超天才じゃん！  
Kare tte chou tensai jan!  
As for the one called him, it's a super genius, isn't it! (jan = ja nai)
20. その問題を解くのは難しい。  
Sono mondai wo toku no wa muzukashii.  
That problem is difficult to solve.
21. 彼は頑丈そうに見える。  
Kare wa ganjou sou ni mieru.  
It looks like he appears to be strong.
22. ご迷惑でなければ、お願いしたいのですが。  
Gomeiwaku de nakereba, onegaishitai no desu ga.  
If it isn't honorable trouble, I would like to humbly request, but...