

LESSON NOTES

# Newbie S4 #FAQ

## Perfect Japanese Pronunciation Made Easy

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## Pronunciation Practice

### 1. "Su (す)" V.S. "Tsu (つ)"

<i>Su ki</i> (好き) = likable	<i>Tsu ki</i> (月) = moon
<i>Su mi</i> (隅) = corner	<i>Tsu mi</i> (罪) = sin
<i>Su mi masu</i> (住みます) = to live	<i>Tsu mi masu</i> (積みます) = to pile up
<i>Su i ka</i> (すいか) = watermelon	<i>Tsu i ka</i> (追加) = addition
<i>U su i-san</i> (薄井さん) = Mr./Ms. Usui	<i>U tsu i-san</i> (宇津井さん) = Mr./Ms. Utsui
<i>Ka su</i> (課す) = to impose	<i>Ka tsu</i> (勝つ) = to win
<i>Misu</i> (ミス) = mistake	<i>Mi tsu</i> (みつ) = syrup

### 2. Small "Tsu (つ)"

<i>Ka ko</i> (過去) = past	<i>Kakko</i> (カッコ) = brackets
<i>Ni shi</i> (西) = west	<i>Nisshi</i> (日誌) = daily report
<i>Ki te</i> (着て) = to wear (te form)	<i>Kitte</i> (切手) = stamps
<i>Ka ta</i> (肩) = shoulders	<i>Katta</i> (勝った) = won

*Ma sa o* (まさお)  
= Masao (a name of a person)

*Massao* (真っ青)  
= deep blue

Practice saying the following sentences.

- *Masao massao.* (マサオ 真っ青) = Masao looks very pale.
- *Kitte katte kite.* (切手買ってきて) = Go and get some stamps.

## Good-byes

Informal	<i>Ja.</i> or <i>Jā.</i>	じゃ。 or じゃあ。
Informal	<i>Soreja.</i> or <i>Sorejā.</i>	それじゃ。 or それじゃあ。
Informal	<i>Ja mata.</i> or <i>Jāmata</i>	じゃ、また。 Or じゃあ、また。
Informal	<i>Baibai.</i>	バイバイ
Formal	<i>Dewa.</i>	では。
Formal	<i>Sore dewa.</i>	それでは。
Formal	<i>Dewa mata.</i>	では、また。
Formal	<i>Sayōnara</i>	さようなら。
Formal	<i>Shitsurei shimasu</i>	しつれいします。

## Long vowels - *Ei* and *Ou* sounds

Japanese spelling in Hiragana	→	Pronunciation
えいが (movie)	→	<i>ei ga</i>
えいご (English)	→	<i>ei go</i>
すいえい (swimming)	→	<i>su iei</i>

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けいさつ (police)	→	<i>kei sa tsu</i>
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<b>Japanese spelling in Hiragana</b>	→	<b>Pronunciation</b>
きのう (yeaterday)	→	<i>ki nō</i>
くうこう (airport)	→	<i>kū kō</i>
とうきょう (Tokyo)	→	<i>Tō kyō</i>
さようなら (Good bye)	→	<i>Sayōnara</i>

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