



Kanji Close-Up for Survival Phrases #11 - Checking In

Kanji	Reading	Meaning	1st character	2nd character
お願い ¹	お・ねが・い	Request, please	願・Petition, request	
名前	な・まえ	Name	名・Name	前・In front, before
致す ²	いた・す	To do (polite)	致・Do, doth, incur	
泊	はく	Counter for stayovers	泊・Overnight	

1The origin of this word is the verb 願う. This form of the verb(尊敬語・ *sonkeigo*, polite Japanese) is made by adding お in front of the masu-stem of the verb, and する(or 致す, which is another polite term meaning する) after the verb.

There are different levels of politeness when using this word. Here are some general examples: friends, family, etc: お願い, strangers etc: お願いします, business relationships, etc: お願い致します

2As mentioned above, 致す is a polite verb meaning する, or “to do”. Most textbooks on Japanese divide polite Japanese into “Honorific” and “Humble” expressions. 致す would be an humble expression, lowering the listener or the subjects position.

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