

LESSON NOTES

Japanese Body Language and Gestures #86

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VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
ごめん	ごめん	gomen	Sorry.
お願い	おねがい	onegai	please

SAMPLE SENTENCES

遅れて、ごめん！ <i>Okurete, gomen!</i> I'm sorry I'm late.	サインをお願いします。 <i>Sain wo onegai shimasu.</i> Your signature (autograph), please.
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CULTURAL INSIGHT

The Gesture of This Lesson is "I'm Sorry"

This gesture means, "I'm sorry," and also means, "Please do me a favor!"

Usage

When doing this gesture, we often say, *gomen* (ごめん), which means "I'm sorry". If we're asking for a favor, we often say, *onegai* (お願い), which means "please!" or "I beg you!"

Tip

This gesture is usually used by women.