

LESSON NOTES

Kantan Kana S2 #7

Kantan Kana #7: Hiragana ま, み, む, め, も

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VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
くま	くま	kuma	bear
もも	もも	momo	peach
まめ	まめ	mame	beans
め	め	me	eye
むかし	むかし	mukashi	a long time ago
むし	むし	mushi	bug
みせ	みせ	mise	store
みそ	みそ	miso	miso (bean paste)
まち	まち	machi	neighborhood / town
もの	もの	mono	thing

SAMPLE SENTENCES

あそこにおみせがあります。

Asoko ni o-mise ga arimasu.

There is a store over there.

GRAMMAR

Lesson #7 - ま、み、む、め、も

ま number of strokes: 3

This might also remind you of the right side of the character 𠄎. The difference is in 𠄎, the vertical line doesn't go past the top stroke, but in ま it does.

み number of strokes: 2

First, one long stroke, and then one short one.

む number of strokes: 3

One, two, down around, and up. When written the loop on む looks like it's at the corner, but when printed it's a bit higher up.

め number of strokes: 2

First we do one short stroke and then a long one. Don't confuse め with む. む has a loop, but め doesn't.

も number of strokes: 3

This character might remind you of ま, but ま has a loop to the left and も has an open hook on the right.

ま	ま	ま			
み	み	み			
む	む	む			
め	め	め			
も	も	も			