



Some basic Japanese



Greetings and Leave Taking

Ohayou gozaimasu	Good morning
Konnichi wa	Good afternoon
Komban wa	Good evening
Oyasumi nasai	Good night
Sayounara	Good bye
Hajimemashite	Nice to meet you (for the first time)
Yoroshiku onegai shimasu	Pleased to meet you
Itte kimasu	Good bye when leaving the house (literally "I'm going and I'll be back")
Itte rasshai	Good bye, said by the person staying home
Tadaima	I'm home, said upon returning home
O-kaeri nasai	Welcome home, said by person at home welcoming the person home

General Conversation

O-genki desu ka?	How are you?
Hai, genki desu	Fine, thank you
Arigatou gozaimasu	Thank you
Doumo arigato gozaimasu	Thank you very much
Doumo arigato gozaimashita	Thank you very much (more polite)
Sumimasen	Excuse me or I'm sorry
Gomen nasai	I'm sorry
Itadakimasu	Thank you for the meal I am about to eat
Gochisousamadeshita	Thank you for the meal Also said when leaving a restaurant rather than "Thank you"

