

Japanese calligraphy

Students' Material

1. Discovering Japanese calligraphy

1. See the short film shown on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rf-n_qI2occ. It shows you how to write and read Japanese katakana characters that are only used for loan words.
2. You can read some of the katakana characters while listening to the short film on YouTube.
3. Let's talk about how these characters sound! Do you have similar sounds in your home language(s) or in any other languages you might know?

2. Let's study Japanese

1. Look carefully at the katakana character list.
2. Choose one character and try to draw it by yourself.
3. Then try to pronounce it and present it to your classmates.

3. Play with Katakana



Grouping:

Have again a look at the katakana table.

Make different groups and choose a character from the table.

Each group will form the chosen katakana character with their bodies on the floor.

The other group is going to guess which katakana character is produced by your classmates' bodies.