

Now Open! 'NIHONGO e な' Portal for Learning Japanese

Today, many useful websites and tools are available on the Internet for studying Japanese, but quite a few people miss taking advantage of these online resources for a number of reasons. Some of them simply don't know what kinds of websites are available or how to use these websites, while others are bewildered by too many options to decide which one suit them best. In order to give them a simple solution, we developed 'NIHONGO e な (iina)', a Japanese-learning web portal where we have collected a number of free websites and on-line tools that are available for anyone studying the language. Each resource is presented with simple descriptions of features and usage. This web portal can be accessed from all over the world, free of charge.

<http://nihongo-e-na.com>

'NIHONGO e な' Features

- 1) **Info at a glance!:** Functions and contents of websites and on-line tools are presented in a simple list. You can quickly grasp the key features of each.
- 2) **Learn how to use resources!:** Screenshots show how to use complicated websites and tools.
- 3) **Here's what you can do!:** You can look for websites and tools that suit your particular needs. There are also usage suggestions, such as combining several sites or lining up those with the same functions.



Contents

Site search: You can look for websites and online tools using search categories such as 'Reading', 'Grammar' and 'Dictionary/Translation'. Articles introducing the contents of websites and how to use them are available both in English and Japanese. At present, around 130 sites and tools are introduced, and the number will steadily increase.

e! な Kore: We have gathered various websites with features that we think "This is e な(great)!". You can look for websites that suit your own needs. Articles in this section are as follows:

- An introduction to websites and tools useful for memorizing kanji and vocabulary
- A list of games to help with memorizing and reading the kana
- An introduction to websites for learners interested in studying Japanese dialects

E な Information Station: We invite users to send the information that they think "This website is e な(great)!".

We will update this section with the information from the users.

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