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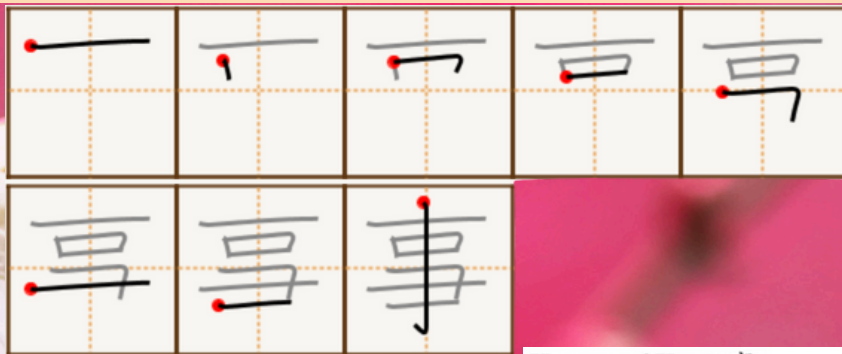
Let's study! 勉強(べんきょう)しましょう!

今月の漢字

thing

事

訓読み: こと
音読み: ジ,ズ



8 strokes

Associated Common Words

- 行事 (ぎょうじ) - event
- 記事 (きじ) - article
- 仕事 (しごと) - job

History of Kanji 事



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四字熟語 - よじじゆくご (4 Character Idiom)

へいおんぶじ
平穩無事

Peaceful, quiet, uneventful

Example

老後は**平穩無事**に過ごせたらいいと
思っています。

Rougo wa **heionbuji** ni sugosetara ii to
omotteimasu.

I hope to spend my old age peacefully and quietly.

ことわざ (proverb)

あした こと あした あん
明日の事は明日案じよ

There is no need to worry about things that haven't happened yet; worry about tomorrow when it's tomorrow

Example

明日の仕事のことが心配だけど「明日の事は明日案じよ」って言うから、今日は心配
するのをやめて、ゆっくり休もう。

Ashita no shigoto no koto ga shinpai dakedo "**ashita no koto wa ashita anjiyo**" tte iu kara, kyou wa shinpai suru no wo yamete, yukkuri yasumou.

Although I'm worried about work tomorrow, as the saying goes, "there is no need to worry about things that haven't happened yet," so today I'm going to stop worrying and take a good rest.



日本を旅しよう! -Exploring Japan-
佐賀県(さがけん) - Saga Prefecture



Fast facts!

- Saga Prefecture is the smallest of Kyushu's seven prefectures and is located on the northwest corner of the island
- Because of the prefecture's location, it serves as an isthmus-like area between the Sea of Japan and the Ariake Sea
- Saga's western region is famous for its ceramics and porcelain, particularly in the towns of Karatsu, Imari, and Arita
- A popular tourist destination is in the town of **Yoshinogari**, where the **remains of a moat-encircled village** from the Yayoi period (c. 300 BCE - 300 CE) can be seen
- For more information about Saga, check out our January 2024 issue!
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Dialect Discovery

佐賀弁 -さがべん

- えーちよく (eechoku; leave it) おいておく
- くっ (ku-; to go, to come) くる、いく
- ごっとい (gotttoi; always) いつも、ずっと
- やぐらしか (yagurashika; noisy) うるさい



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Saga 佐賀県

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To read about JET Alum Lillian's experience living and teaching in Saga Prefecture,

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佐賀城本丸歴史館 (さがじょうほんまるれきしかん)

Saga Castle Hommaru History Museum

This museum is a partial reconstruction of the Saga Castle, built by tenth domain lord Nabeshima Naomasa in 1838. It is the largest scale wooden building restoration in Japan and the first restoration of a castle's main palace. Exhibitions feature local historical materials, models, and items from the Edo Period and the Meiji Restoration.

クイズタイム!

1. 日本に () ことがありますか。

Have you ever been to Japan?

- a. 行って b. 行った c. 行いた

2. みんなに聞こえる () 大きい声で話してください。

Please speak loudly so that everyone can hear.

- a. ように b. ために c. ときに

3. 田中さん、交通 () にあったようだよ。だいじょうぶかな。

- a. 事情 b. 事態 c. 事故



☆お水取り

Omizutori is the annual Buddhist sacred water-drawing festival, held at Todai-ji Temple in Nara. The festival is the last night of the two-week long Shuni-e ceremony, which is actually a series of several ceremonies that center on repentance and cleansing of sins, as well as the beginning of spring. The event, now over 1,200 years old, involves the drawing of water from the temple well, which is then offered to Kannon, the bodhisattva of compassion, and the public.

Spring Vocab! - 春の単語!

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| 開花予想 (かいかよそう) - Cherry Blossom Forecast | 春雷 (しゅんらい) - Spring Thunder |
| 満開 (まんかい) - Full Bloom | 筍 (たけのこ) - Bamboo Shoots |
| 花粉 (かふん) - Pollen | 春雨 (はるさめ) - Spring Showers |
| 花粉症 (かふんしょう) - Hay Fever | 燕 (ツバメ) - Barn Swallow |
| 春風 (はるかぜ) - Spring Breeze | 花冷え (はなびえ) - Return of wintry weather during cherry blossom season |
| 夜桜 (よざくら) - Cherry Blossoms at Night | |

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Following the film screening, we are honored to have the film's director Takeshi Fukunaga join us virtually for a brief talk and Q&A.

For more information and to purchase tickets, click [here](#).

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