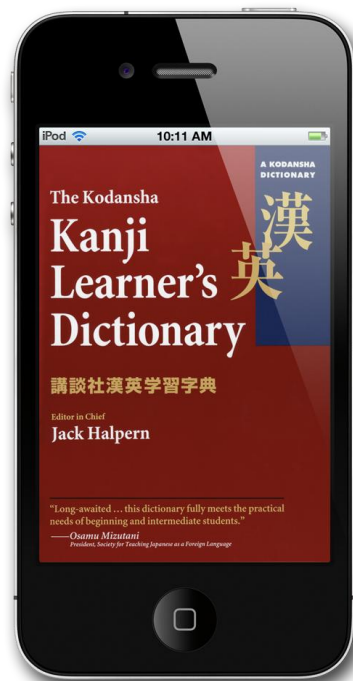


The Ultimate Kanji Dictionary Application

Jack Halpern, CEO of **The CJK Dictionary Institute** (CJKI) in Japan, has announced the launch of the ultimate kanji dictionary application: **The Kodansha Kanji Learner's Dictionary for iOS** (iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch). The institute's development team has spent several years on in-depth research and development, culminating in the release of the most user-friendly kanji-learning tool ever published.

The release of this application marks a major event in the history of Japanese electronic dictionaries. Based on [The Kodansha Kanji Learner's Dictionary](#), the world-renowned print dictionary that has become a standard reference work, the iOS edition is an easy-to-use electronic dictionary that fully satisfies the practical needs of beginning and intermediate learners.



[Now available in the iTunes App Store](#)

Distinctive Features

No kanji dictionary on the market today offers such a full range of features in such a stunning, user-friendly interface. The institute's team of expert lexicographers and software engineers have left no stone unturned to create an application of high quality and superb design. Some of the distinctive features invaluable to learners include:

- **core meanings** that concisely define the most dominant sense of each character
- the **System of Kanji Indexing by Patterns** (SKIP), which enables even complete beginners to locate characters with accuracy and speed
- 2,230 main entry characters and 31,300 words and word elements
- character meanings ordered in a manner that shows how each character contributes to the meanings of compound words
- animated stroke order diagrams for all 2,230 entry characters
- 7,200 character readings, including readings used only in names
- multiple search modes including kana, romaji, SKIP, radical, English meaning, and entry number
- useful appendixes on stroke counting, pronunciation, kana, and more
- intuitive interface for quickly looking up by SKIP or radicals
- tapping on any character or word jumps to the relevant entry

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Pedagogic Breakthrough

The publication of the print edition in 1999 represented a major breakthrough in Japanese language education. Based on the more comprehensive **New Japanese English Character Dictionary** published by Kenkyusha, the Kodansha edition



was created by integrating modern linguistic theory with sophisticated information technology to produce the most useful kanji learner's dictionary ever compiled. Japanese teachers and educators have long praised it as a powerful tool that fully meets the needs of students.

With the introduction of the iOS application, learners now have quick access to all the benefits of the print edition, plus various innovations made possible by the iOS platform, including convenient interfaces for looking up kanji by SKIP or by radical, toggling between kana and romaji, multiple search modes (reading, English meaning, SKIP, radical), animated stroke-order diagrams, context-sensitive pop-ups, and much more.

For the first time, learners and educators alike now have at their fingertips a wealth of information that is linguistically accurate, easy to understand, and instantly accessible. This includes detailed information, tailored to the specific needs of learners, on every aspect of kanji, from their forms and meanings to their readings and role as word-building elements.

For more information, please see:

<http://www.kanji.org/kanji/dictionaries/ikald/ikald.htm>

Japanese Sensei

The CJK Dictionary Institute has also collaborated with iOS developer Cole Zhu Inc. to produce **Japanese Sensei**, the popular Japanese vocabulary-building application for iOS. Available in several language versions such as English, Chinese and Korean, this app enables learners to master almost 10,000 Japanese words in context, with example sentences and beautiful audio, in an effective and enjoyable manner.

About CJKI

The **CJK Dictionary Institute** specializes in CJK (Chinese, Japanese and Korean) lexicography. CJKI is headed by Jack Halpern, editor-in-chief of the **New Japanese-English Character Dictionary** and various other dictionaries that have become standard reference works for studying Japanese. CJKI is one of the world's prime sources for CJK and Arabic lexical resources, and is contributing to CJK information processing technology with its high-quality lexical resources.

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