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Where possible English language links have been listed first

ANIMATION

Melbourne Anime Society	www.mas.org.au/
Yahoo! Search, Anime	http://dir.yahoo.com/Entertainment/comics_and_animation/animation/anime

ARTS / PERFORMING ARTS

Web-Japan – The Virtual Museum Of Traditional Japanese Arts	http://web-japan.org/museum/menu.html
Kabuki for Everyone	www.fix.co.jp/kabuki/kabuki.html
Japan Performing Arts Network	www.jpan.org/cont_e.html
Background to Noh-Kyogen	www.ijnet.or.jp/NOH-KYOGEN/english/english.html
Butoh Net: The World of Butoh Dance	www.butoh.net/

CRAFTS

Dento Kogei-hin – Traditional Japanese Crafts	www.japan-101.com/art/crafts_dento.htm
Traditional Crafts of Japan	www.kougei.or.jp/english/
Dyeing & Weaving	www.kimono.or.jp/dic/eng

CULTURE

Ainu Language	http://ramat.ram.ne.jp/ainu/
Ikebana International	www.ikebanahq.org/
Imperial Household Agency Homepage	www.kunaicho.go.jp/eindex.html

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CULTURE CONT....

Kimono, Kimono Fabric &
Japanese Cloting

<http://www.japanesekimono.com>

Manekinekoclub.com

http://www.amy.hiho.ne.jp/~mono93/cat/english/index_e.html

EDUCATION

Nihongo Memo

<http://www.nihongomemo.com/>

Study in Japan

www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/index.html

Japan Education Gateway

http://www.cec.or.jp/e-cec/CEC_gateway.html

The Japan Forum – Japanese
High School Students

www.tjf.or.jp/eng/ee/eeindex.htm

Japanese-Language Education
Around the Globe

http://www.jpf.go.jp/e/urawa/e_world/e_world.html

Japanese Writing Tutor

www.members.aol.com/writejapan/

Teaching (& Learning)
About Japan

www.csuohio.edu/history/japan/index.html

Japanese Studies Network Forum

www.jsnet.org

Kanji Clinic (The Japan Times)

www.kanjiclinic.com/

FESTIVALS

Japan Festival – Melbourne

www.japaneselifestyle.com.au/japanfestival/

FOOD / DRINK

Tokyo Food Page

www.bento.com/tokyofood.html

Roll Your Own Sushi

www.rain.org/~hutch/sushi.html

Japan Sake Brewers Association

www.japansake.or.jp

GARDENS

Japanese Garden Database

www.jgarden.org

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GENERAL

Web-Japan	http://web-japan.org
Japan Information Network (JIN) Homepage	http://jin.jcic.or.jp/
Kids Web Japan	http://web-japan.org/kidsweb/index.html
Japan Fact book	www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/geos/ja.html
Web-Japan Statistics: latest Statistics on Japan	http://web-japan.org/stat/index.html
Townpage – Telephone Directory Japan	http://english.itp.ne.jp/
East-West Japan Link	www.japanlink.co.jp/english
Peachstar (different aspects of Japan) click on ‘notebook’ or ‘launchpad’	www.peachstar.org/irasshai
Nippon in the World	www.ndl.go.jp/site_nippon/e/default.html
Japan – overview by Fulbright Grant participant, Peggy Steffens	http://www.amphi.com/~psteffen/fmf/

GEOGRAPHY

JIN – Japan Atlas	http://web-japan.org/atlas/index.html
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GOVERNMENT (JAPANESE)

Embassy of Japan, Australia	www.japan.org.au
Consulate-General of Japan, Melbourne	www.melbourne.au.emb-japan.go.jp/index.htm
CLAIR – Council of Local Authorities For International Relations	www.clair.or.jp/e/
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs <i>Gaimusho</i>	www.mofa.go.jp

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Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science & Technology <i>Monbukagakusho</i>	www.mext.go.jp/english/index.htm
Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare <i>Koseirodoshō</i>	www.mhlw.go.jp/english/
Ministry of Economy, Trade & Industry <i>Keizaisangyoshō</i>	www.meti.go.jp/english/index.html
JETRO – Japan External Trade Organisation	www.jetro.go.jp/
Ministry of Agricultural, Forestry & Fisheries <i>Norinsuisanshō</i>	www.maff.go.jp/eindex.html
Animal Quarantine Service Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	www.maff-aqs.go.jp/english/
The Japan Foundation	www.jpf.go.jp/
The Japan Foundation Cultural Section	www.jpf.org.au/index_jcc.htm
Kantei: The Prime Minister's Office	www.kantei.go.jp/foreign/index-e.html
Tokyo Metropolitan Government	http://www.metro.tokyo.jp/ENGLISH/
Osaka Prefectural Government	www.pref.osaka.jp/en/index.html

GOVERNMENT (AUSTRALIAN)

Australia Quarantine Inspection Service	www.aqis.gov.au
Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)	www.dfat.gov.au
DFAT – Japan	http://www.dfat.gov.au/geo/japan/index.html
Australian Embassy in Japan	http://www.australia.or.jp/
Australian Bureau of Statistics	www.abs.gov.au/
Department of Education, Science And Training	www.dest.gov.au

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GOVERNMENT (AUSTRALIAN) CONT...

Australian Customs Service www.customs.gov.au

HISTORY

World Heritage Sites in Japan <http://fp.thesalmons.org/lynn/wh-japan.html>

Japan Centre for Asian Historical
Records
National Archives of Japan www.jacar.go.jp/asia_en/index_en.html

Hiroshima Peace Site www.pcf.city.hiroshima.jp/peacesite/indexE.html

Kids Peace Station Hiroshima www.pcf.city.hiroshima.jp/kids/KPSH_E/top_e.html

HOMESTAYS

Japanese Association of The
Experiment in International
Living (EILJAPAN) <http://www5a.biglobe.ne.jp/~eil/>

INTERNATIONAL AID AGENCIES

Japan International and Cooperation
Agency (JICA) www.jica.go.jp/english/index.html

JAPAN EXCHANGE AND TEACHING (JET) PROGRAM, THE

The JET Program www.jetprogram.org
www.mofa.go.jp/jet/

JETAA (JET Alumni Association)
Vic / Tas <http://jet.org/Melbourne>

LANGUAGE

Japanese Language Teachers
Association of Victoria (JLTAV) www.jltav.org.au/indexjltav.htm

Monash University – Japanese
Studies www.arts.monash.edu.au/japanese/

Jim Breen's Japanese Page <http://www.csse.monash.edu.au/~jwb/japanese.html>

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LANGUAGE CONT...

Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopaedia Japanese Language	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_language
Teach Yourself Japanese	www.sf.airnet.ne.jp/~ts/japanese/index.html
Shoko Sensei's Japanese Room	http://shokosensei.senet.com.au
Kanji Clinic (The Japan Times)	www.kanjiclinic.com/
Japanese Colours	www.sf.airnet.ne.jp/~ts/japanese/color.html
English / Japanese Flash Cards	http://www.schei.com/cgi-bin/flash.cgi
TheJapanesePage.com	http://www.thejapanesepage.com
Japan Language Proficiency Test Kanji Overview	http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~ik2r-my/kanji/listj1pt_en.htm

LITERATURE

Japanese National Diet Library	www.ndl.go.jp/en/index.html
The World of Kenji Miyazawa	www.kenji-world.net/english/
Storygate: Worldwide fairytales With Japanese animation	www.so-net.ne.jp/storygate/

MARTIAL ARTS

Bushido – Way of the Warrior	http://mcel.pacificu.edu/as/students/bushido/bindex.html
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MEDIA / NEWSPAPERS / PUBLICATIONS

Asahi Shimbun	http://www.asahi.com/english/english.html
The Japan Times	www.japantimes.co.jp
Foreign Press Centre Japan	www.fpcj.jp
Mainichi Shimbun	www.mainichi.co.jp/
Mainichi Daily News	http://mdn.mainichi.co.jp/
Nihon Keizai Shimbun	www.nni.nikkei.co.jp/

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Yomiuri Shimbun	www.yomiuri.co.jp/index-e.htm
NHK	www.nhk.or.jp/english/
NHK online	www.nhk.or.jp
Radio Japan Online	http://www.nhk.or.jp/rj/index_e.html
News on Japan	www.newsonjapan.com

MUSIC

The Rolling Thunder Taiko Resource	www.taiko.com/rollingthunder.html
Japan World Music (Melbourne)	www.japanworldmusic.com/

ORGANISATIONS

Women's Association of Kyoto (WAK)	www.wakjapan.com/
Australia-Japan Society of Victoria	http://welcome.to/ajsvic
Japan Australia Friendship Association (JAFA) – South Australia	www.jafa.asn.au
Asialink	www.asialink.unimelb.edu.au
Asia Society	www.asiasociety.com
National Federation of Australia-Japan Societies	http://www.austjapanfed.org.au/

POP CULTURE / TRENDS

Sanrio	www.sanrio.com
Astro Boy	http://www.astro-boy.net/
Trends in Japan	http://web-japan.org/trends

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PUBLICATIONS

Asia Pacific Perspectives	www.jjigaho.or.jp/index_e.html
Nipponia	http://web-japan.org/nipponia/index.html
Japan Echo	www.japanecho.co.jp/
Tokyo Journal	www.tokyo.to
Kodansha	www.kodansha.co.jp/English/
Asia EdNet - Curriculum Corporation	http://www.curriculum.edu.au/accessasia/network/index.htm
Kansai Timeout	http://kto.co.jp/
Look Japan	http://www.findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_go2709
Aichi Voice	http://www2.aia.pref.aichi.jp/voice/

SPORT / LEISURE

Outdoor Japan	www.outdoorjapan.com/
Nihon Sumo Kyokai	www.sumo.or.jp/eng/index.html
Japan's Golf Courses	www.japangolfcourse.com/home.htm
Ski in Japan	www.skijapanguide.com

SUPPORT SERVICES

Tokyo English Life Line (TELL)	www.telljp.com/
Japanese Welfare Society in Australia – Hope Connection	http://members.optushome.com.au/hopec/

TRAVEL

Japan National Tourist Organisation	www.jnto.go.jp
Japan Travel Bureau	www.jtb.co.jp/eng/
Tokyo Customs	http://www.tokyo-customs.go.jp/index.htm
Outdoor Japan	www.outdoorjapan.com

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TRAVEL CONT...

Guide to Japan	www.japan-guide.com
Kyoto Prefecture	http://www.pref.kyoto.jp/index_e.html
Osaka Convention and Tourism Bureau	http://www.octb.jp/english/
Nara Prefecture	http://www.pref.nara.jp/english/index.html
Web City Sapporo	www.global.city.sapporo.jp/
Hotel and Inns (Japanese only)	www.yadokari.co.jp
J & F Plaza Guesthouses & Furnished Apartments in Japan	www.jafnet.co.jp/plaza/contentse/e_top.htm
Japanwindow.com	www.japanwindow.com/
Disney Resort (includes Disneyland / Disney Sea)	www.tokyodisneyland.co.jp/index_e.html
Tokyo Tower	www.tokyotower.co.jp/2004/web/eng/index.html
Huis Ten Bosch (Dutch Village In Nagasaki)	http://english.huistenbosch.co.jp/index.html
Japan Railways Group (JR)	www.japanrail.com

UNIVERSITIES

Kyoto University	www.kyoto-u.ac.jp/
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WORKING IN JAPAN

(please refer to JICC 'Working in Japan' handout for more information)

Japan Association for Working Holiday Makers (JAWHM)	www.jawhm.or.jp/eng/index
Japan Index – a listing of business / organisation contacts	http://web-jpn.org/links/index.html
Yahoo! Japan Profile Finance / Business Information (Japanese)	http://profile.yahoo.co.jp/

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