

Japanese Onomatopoeia

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ぴかぴか
pikapika

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きらきら
kirakira

yakyacker.com



どんどん
dondon

yakyacker.com

ぽたぽた
potapota

yakyacker.com



ばたばた
batabata

yakyacker.com



がやがや
gayagaya

yakyacker.com

ざわざわ
zawazawa

yakyacker.com

ごろごろ
gorogoro

yakyacker.com

ごとごと
gotogoto

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rapidly; steadily

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sparkling

yakyacker.com

shiny and clean

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noisily; in a crowd

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busily; in a fluster

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drip drip

yakyacker.com

clunk clunk

yakyacker.com

rumbling; rolling

yakyacker.com

rustling; uneasy

yakyacker.com

ぴたり
pitari

yakyacker.com

ドキドキ
dokidoki

yakyacker.com



わくわく
wakuwaku

yakyacker.com

いらいら
iraira

yakyacker.com

しんみり
shinmiri

yakyacker.com

うとうと
utouto

yakyacker.com



げっそり
gessori

yakyacker.com

ほっと
hotto

yakyacker.com

びくびく
bikubiku

yakyacker.com

excited; eager

yakyacker.com

heart pounding

yakyacker.com

suddenly stopped; firmly

yakyacker.com

dozing

yakyacker.com

quietly emotional

yakyacker.com

irritated; annoyed

yakyacker.com

trembling with fear

yakyacker.com

with relief

yakyacker.com

exhausted; worn out

yakyacker.com

にこにこ
nikoniko

yakyacker.com

むかむか
mukamuka

yakyacker.com



ゆっくり
yukkuri

yakyacker.com



そっと
sotto

yakyacker.com



さっと
satto

yakyacker.com

ぐるぐる
guruguru

yakyacker.com

てくてく
tekuteku

yakyacker.com

よちよち
yochiyochi

yakyacker.com

どんと
donto

yakyacker.com

slowly

yakyacker.com

feeling nauseous or
irritated

yakyacker.com

smiling brightly

yakyacker.com

spinning around

yakyacker.com

quickly; in a flash

yakyacker.com

gently; quietly

yakyacker.com

with a thud

yakyacker.com

walking unsteadily like a
baby

yakyacker.com

walking at an easy pace

yakyacker.com



こつこつ
kotsukotsu

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ぴよんぴよん
pyonpyon

yakyacker.com

すたすた
sutasuta

yakyacker.com

ぺらぺら
perapera

yakyacker.com

ふわふわ
fuwafuwa

yakyacker.com

さらさら
sarasara

yakyacker.com



べたべた
betabeta

yakyacker.com

ぬるぬる
nurunuru

yakyacker.com

ごつごつ
gotsugotsu

yakyacker.com

quickly and without
stopping

yakyacker.com

hopping repeatedly

yakyacker.com

steadily; little by
little

yakyacker.com

smooth and silky

yakyacker.com

soft and fluffy

yakyacker.com

fluently; very well

yakyacker.com

rough and bumpy

yakyacker.com

slippery

yakyacker.com

sticky

yakyacker.com

すべすべ
subesube

yakyacker.com

がちがち
gachigachi

yakyacker.com

ぼろぼろ
boroboro

yakyacker.com

ぐちゃぐちゃ
guchagucha

yakyacker.com



それぞれ
sorezore

yakyacker.com



まあまあ
māmā

yakyacker.com



ぼちぼち
bochibochi

yakyacker.com



のんびり
nonbiri

yakyacker.com



きちんと
kichinto

yakyacker.com

in tatters; worn out

yakyacker.com

stiff and tense

yakyacker.com

smooth and silky

yakyacker.com

okay; average

yakyacker.com

each; respectively

yakyacker.com

messy and mixed up

yakyacker.com

neatly; properly

yakyacker.com

relaxed; leisurely

yakyacker.com

gradually; little by
little

yakyacker.com



ちゃんと
chanto

yakyacker.com



こっそり
kossori

yakyacker.com



ぴったり
pittari

yakyacker.com



いよいよ
iyoiyo

yakyacker.com



さっぱり
sappari

yakyacker.com

Word + する

yakyacker.com



Word + と + Verb

yakyacker.com



Word + しています

yakyacker.com



Word + と + Noun/Adj

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exactly; a perfect fit

yakyacker.com

secretly; quietly

yakyacker.com

properly; correctly

yakyacker.com

to feel or act in that
way

yakyacker.com

refreshing; clean and
clear

yakyacker.com

at last; finally

yakyacker.com

adverbial emphasis

yakyacker.com

ongoing state

yakyacker.com

verb done in that manner

yakyacker.com



Common Mistake

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Using them like normal
nouns

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Ignoring context

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Forgetting rhythm

yakyacker.com



ガラガラ
がらがら

yakyacker.com

ザーザー
ざーざー

yakyacker.com

ピリピリ
ぴりぴり

yakyacker.com

ドカドカ
どかどか

yakyacker.com

バリバリ
ばりばり

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depends on context

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used like an adverb or
feeling word

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common mistake

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pouring rain

yakyacker.com

empty; rattling

yakyacker.com

rhythmic; musical

yakyacker.com

crunching; ripping

yakyacker.com

stomping loudly

yakyacker.com

stinging; tense

yakyacker.com

キョロキョロ
きょろきょろ

yakyacker.com

ニヤニヤ
にやにや

yakyacker.com

グズグズ
ぐずぐず

yakyacker.com

モジモジ
もじもじ

yakyacker.com



ウキウキ
うきうき

yakyacker.com

ガミガミ
がみがみ

yakyacker.com

チラチラ
ちらちら

yakyacker.com

ワンワン
wanwan

yakyacker.com

ニャーニャー
nyānyā

yakyacker.com

dawdling; dragging on

yakyacker.com

grinning; smirking

yakyacker.com

looking around restlessly

yakyacker.com

nagging; scolding loudly

yakyacker.com

excited; cheerful

yakyacker.com

fidgeting shyly

yakyacker.com

cat meowing

yakyacker.com

dog barking

yakyacker.com

glancing; flickering

yakyacker.com

モグモグ
mogumogu

yakyacker.com

ガツガツ
gatsugatsu

yakyacker.com

ペコペコ
pekopeko

yakyacker.com

ドキドキ
dokidoki

yakyacker.com



ワクワク
wakuwaku

yakyacker.com



ハラハラ
harahara

yakyacker.com

イライラ
iraira

yakyacker.com

ムカムカ
mukamuka

yakyacker.com

ぐっすり
gussuri

yakyacker.com

very hungry

yakyacker.com

eating greedily

yakyacker.com

chewing

yakyacker.com

nervous

yakyacker.com

excited

yakyacker.com

heart pounding

yakyacker.com

sleeping soundly

yakyacker.com

feeling sick or angry

yakyacker.com

irritated

yakyacker.com

ぱたぱた
patapata

yakyacker.com

じめじめ
jimejime

yakyacker.com

からから
karakara

yakyacker.com

ざあざあ
zaazaa

yakyacker.com

ぴちぴち
pichipichi

yakyacker.com

ぐずぐず
guzuguzu

yakyacker.com

べこべこ
bekobeko

yakyacker.com



ぐったり
guttari

yakyacker.com

ばったり
battari

yakyacker.com

dry and parched

yakyacker.com

humid and damp

yakyacker.com

flapping

yakyacker.com

procrastinating

yakyacker.com

fresh and lively

yakyacker.com

heavy rain sound

yakyacker.com

meeting unexpectedly

yakyacker.com

exhausted

yakyacker.com

completely exhausted

yakyacker.com

すっきり
sukkirī

yakyacker.com



うっかり
ukkarī

yakyacker.com



つつる
つつる

yakyacker.com



ざらざら
ざらざら

yakyacker.com

もちもち
もちもち

yakyacker.com



ねばねば
ねばねば

yakyacker.com

ぺこぺこ
ぺこぺこ

yakyacker.com



がっかり
がっかり

yakyacker.com

うんざり
うんざり

yakyacker.com

smooth

yakyacker.com

carelessly; by accident

yakyacker.com

refreshing; clear

yakyacker.com

sticky

yakyacker.com

soft and chewy

yakyacker.com

rough

yakyacker.com

fed up; tired of
something

yakyacker.com

disappointed

yakyacker.com

bowing repeatedly; very
polite

yakyacker.com



しっかり
しっかり

yakyacker.com



びっくり
びっくり

yakyacker.com

うっとり
うっとり

yakyacker.com



のそのそ
のそのそ

yakyacker.com

よろよろ
よろよろ

yakyacker.com



ふらふら
ふらふら

yakyacker.com

ぐらぐら
ぐらぐら

yakyacker.com

ぶらぶら
ぶらぶら

yakyacker.com



のろのろ
のろのろ

yakyacker.com

enchanted; fascinated

yakyacker.com

surprised

yakyacker.com

firmly; properly

yakyacker.com

dizzy; unsteady

yakyacker.com

staggering; unsteady

yakyacker.com

slowly; lumbering

yakyacker.com

slowly; sluggishly

yakyacker.com

wandering around; idly

yakyacker.com

shaking; wobbling

yakyacker.com



いそいそ
いそいそ

yakyacker.com

しょんぼり
しょんぼり

yakyacker.com

うるうる
うるうる

yakyacker.com

ほっこり
ほっこり

yakyacker.com

ぴんぴん
ぴんぴん

yakyacker.com



はらはら
はらはら

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じーん
じーん

yakyacker.com

きゅん
きゅん

yakyacker.com

ぞくぞく
ぞくぞく

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tearfully; with watery
eyes

yakyacker.com

downcast; dejected

yakyacker.com

eagerly; excitedly

yakyacker.com

anxious; worried

yakyacker.com

energetic; lively

yakyacker.com

warm and comforting

yakyacker.com

chilled; shivery

yakyacker.com

moved; heart-fluttering

yakyacker.com

deeply moved

yakyacker.com



ひやひや
ひやひや

yakyacker.com



へとへと
へとへと

yakyacker.com

ぐうぐう
ぐうぐう

yakyacker.com

すやすや
すやすや

yakyacker.com



だらだら
だらだら

yakyacker.com

ぐでぐで
ぐでぐで

yakyacker.com



ぼーっと
ぼーっと

yakyacker.com



ぼんやり
ぼんやり

yakyacker.com

ぱちぱち
ぱちぱち

yakyacker.com

snoring loudly

yakyacker.com

exhausted

yakyacker.com

nervous; on edge

yakyacker.com

slumped; worn out

yakyacker.com

idly; lazily

yakyacker.com

sleeping peacefully

yakyacker.com

clapping; crackling

yakyacker.com

vaguely; absentmindedly

yakyacker.com

absently; blankly

yakyacker.com

かちかち
かちかち

yakyacker.com



びしびし
びしびし

yakyacker.com

めらめら
めらめら

yakyacker.com

ぐつぐつ
ぐつぐつ

yakyacker.com

ちくちく
ちくちく

yakyacker.com

ぴりぴり
ぴりぴり

yakyacker.com

むしむし
むしむし

yakyacker.com

ぱさぱさ
ぱさぱさ

yakyacker.com

しっとり
しっとり

yakyacker.com

blazing; flickering
strongly

yakyacker.com

strictly; firmly

yakyacker.com

hard and stiff; clacking

yakyacker.com

tingly; irritated

yakyacker.com

stinging; prickly

yakyacker.com

simmering; boiling gently

yakyacker.com

softly moist; fresh

yakyacker.com

dry and brittle

yakyacker.com

hot and humid

yakyacker.com



ねっとり
ねっとり

yakyacker.com

がくがく
がくがく

yakyacker.com

ぶるぶる
ぶるぶる

yakyacker.com

がたがた
がたがた

yakyacker.com

どたどた
どたどた

yakyacker.com

ぴたぴた
ぴたぴた

yakyacker.com

ぴよこぴよこ
ぴよこぴよこ

yakyacker.com

かさかさ
かさかさ

yakyacker.com



ぐしゃぐしゃ
ぐしゃぐしゃ

yakyacker.com

shivering; trembling

yakyacker.com

shaking weakly; wobbling

yakyacker.com

sticky; thick and heavy

yakyacker.com

sticking tightly; snugly

yakyacker.com

stomping heavily

yakyacker.com

rattling; shaky

yakyacker.com

messy; crumpled

yakyacker.com

dry and rough

yakyacker.com

hopping lightly

yakyacker.com

ぼそぼそ
ぼそぼそ

yakyacker.com

がさがさ
がさがさ

yakyacker.com

ざくざく
ざくざく

yakyacker.com

がりがり
がりがり

yakyacker.com

こそこそ
こそこそ

yakyacker.com

そわそわ
そわそわ

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com

crunching or cutting
through roughly

yakyacker.com

rustling or scrabbling

yakyacker.com

mumbling quietly

yakyacker.com

restless or fidgety

yakyacker.com

secretly or sneaking
around

yakyacker.com

scratching or scraping

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com

yakyacker.com