

Common Japanese Prefixes

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Word	Type	Meaning
お	prefix	polite/honorific prefix
ご	prefix	polite/honorific prefix (formal)
大	prefix	big; great
不	prefix	not; un-
再	prefix	re-; again
無	prefix	without; -less
小	prefix	small
全	prefix	all, entire
半	prefix	half
初	prefix	first
毎	prefix	every
超	prefix	super, ultra
未	Prefix	not yet; un-
非	Prefix	non-; not
反	Prefix	anti-; opposite
最	Prefix	most; -est
新	Prefix	new; neo-
各	Prefix	each; every
前	prefix	pre-, before
旧	prefix	old, former
真	prefix	true, pure, genuine
副	prefix	vice-, deputy, sub-
第	prefix	ordinal number prefix (e.g., first, second)
現	prefix	current, present
諸	Prefix	various; many
多	Prefix	multi-; many
過	Prefix	over-; excessive
対	Prefix	anti-; counter-; versus
被	Prefix	passive; victim of
元	Prefix	former; ex-
当	Prefix	this/our (formal, business)
同	Prefix	same
本	Prefix	main, this (formal, as in 本日 'today')
数	Prefix	several, a few
複	Prefix	multiple, compound
単	Prefix	single, simple
生	Prefix	raw, fresh, live
激	Prefix	intense, extreme, very
特	Prefix	special, extra
総	Prefix	total, overall, general