

Kanji Radicals Cheat Sheet

Remember, kanji isn't made up of individual strokes, it's made up of radicals. If you learn by strokes, you have to remember 5, 10, 15+ plus steps. If you learn the radicals, and put them together like building blocks, you'll only have to remember 2, 3, or 4 steps to put together a kanji. Doesn't that sound a lot nicer than learning each individual stroke? To get the full picture, use this cheat sheet with the kanji section of TextFugu.com.

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一	丨	丶	ノ	乙	丿
one	stick	drop of liquid	slide	z-hook	barb

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二	亠	人	亻	人	儿	入	八	冫	冂	冃	冴
two	kettle lid	person	influential person	rice paddy hat	legs	enter	fish legs	horns	upside down box	top of the head	ice water
几	凵	リ	力	勹	刀	匕	匚	十	卜	卩	厂
table	open box	variety stick rack	power	enclosure	knife / sword	spoon	box on it's side	ten	shaman's stick	seal	cliff
ム	又	マ	九	乚	乃	丁	丅	八	一		
me / I	stool	(selfish!) me	nine	broken box	stairs	nail	crooked nail	volcano	leaf		

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辶	口	土	士	夕	夕	大	女	子	宀	寸	小
sweet water slide	mouth	ground	samurai	winter	evening	big / large	woman / female	child	fancy pot lid	measurement	little
丩	尢	尸	扌	山	川	巛	工	巳	巾	干	彡
unicorn w/ horns	deranged big man	flag	left hand	mountain	river	river bend	construction	snake skull	hanging towel	dry	pile of my stuff
广	廴	卅	弋	弓	彡	彡	彡	彡	彡	彡	彡
man on cliff	big step / stride	twenty	ceremony	busted up stick	double knocked over box	stuck ninja star	hair	linger / loiter	fish legs stick	spiky stick	liquid
犛	艹	冫	也	亡	及	久					
animal	grass	butcher	alligator skull	death	reinforced Stairs	reinforced enclosure					

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𠂇	心	戈	戶	手	支	攴	攴	斗	斤	方	天
grave slide	heart	ceremoni al slide	door	hand	holy stool	broken stool	figure	stirring rod	T-cliff	direction	heaven
无	日	月	木	欠	止	歹	殳	比	毛	氏	气
crooked heaven	sun	moon	tree	fail	stop	bad	stool next to table	compare	fur	family name	spirit
水	火	灬	爪	父	爻	犬	㐂	王	元	井	勿
water	fire	fish tail	claw	father	double X (xx)	dog	(ne)lly	king	origin	communi-ty	devil wing
尢	五	屯	巴	毋	牛						
demented dog	five	stabbed finger	wide eye snake	mother	cow						

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玄	瓜	瓦	甘	生	用	田	疋	疒	𠂇	白	皮
mysteriou s	melon	10,000 eggs	sugary	life	double moon	rice field	running man	shore breaker	battle tent	white	covered stool
皿	目	矢	石	示	𠂇	禾	穴	立	㐂	世	巨
plate	eye	heavenly slide	stone	“two” small	my box home	two branch tree	cave	stand	Nelly’s got a knife	genera-tion	giant
冊	母	𠂇	牙								
20 upside down boxes	attentive mother	sideways eye	fang								

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竹	米	糸	缶	羊	羽	而	耒	耳	聿	肉	自
bamboo	rice	small pie	flattened mountain	sheep	feathers	rake	three brach tree	ear	brush	meat	self
至	臼	舌	舟	衣	艮	色	虍	虫	血	行	西
my grave	broken sun	tongue	boat	clothes	good	color	seven cliffs	bug	blood	go	west

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臣	見	言	谷	豆	豕	貝	赤	足	車	辛	辰
servant	see	say	fish leg house	bean	hog	clam	red	leg	car	bitter	under-ground clothes
采	里										
rice slide	empty rice field										

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金	長	門	隹	雨	青	非	岡	免	齊
gold	leader	gate	emperor	rain	blue	alleyway	mountain horns	excuse	equal

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音	頁	風	食	首	品	馬	高	鬼	竜	偉	魚
noise	clam with leaf hat	wind	food	neck	goods	horse	tall	demon	dragon	admirable	fish
鳥	麻	商	黄	黒	無	齒					
bird	hemp	standing on a holy hand grenade	yellow	black	none	tooth					

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