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Rōmaji: KA

sounds like: Car or CArl

Mnemonic:

* It looks like a **"K"**—well, sort of.

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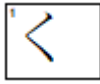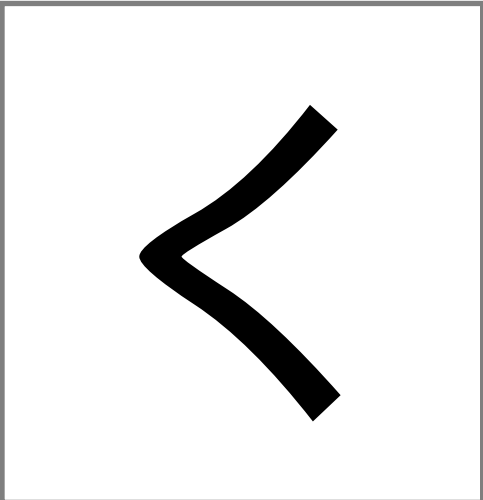|									
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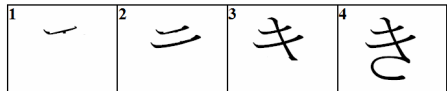
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Rōmaji: KI

sounds like: KEY

Mnemonic:

* It looks like an old-fashioned skeleton KEY

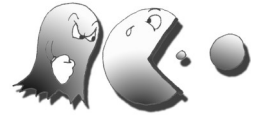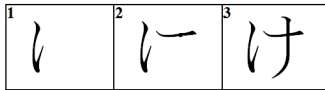|									
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Rōmaji: KU

sounds like: COOl

Mnemonic:

- It looks like a COOl "less than" mark

- It looks like a paKU-man

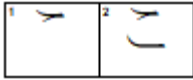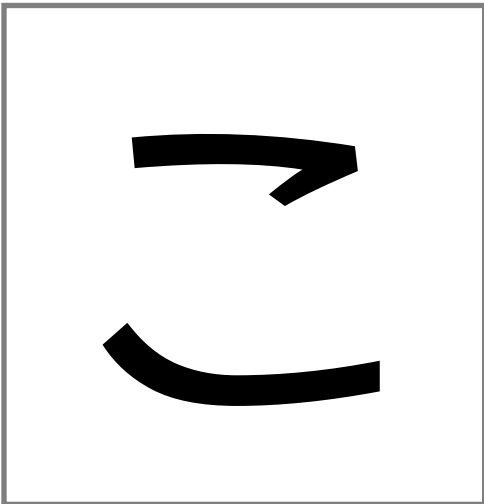| く	く								
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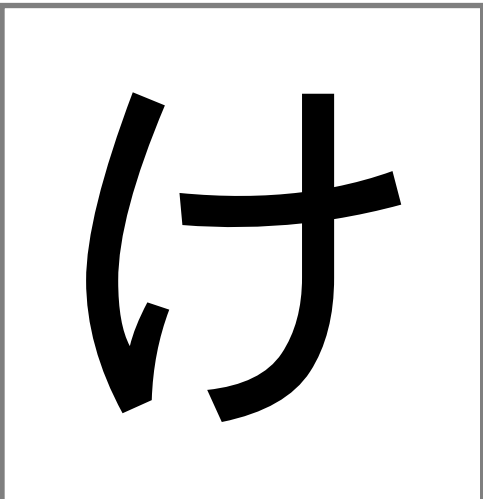
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Rōmaji: KE

sounds like: **Keg or CAve**

Mnemonic:

- It looks like a broken old KEttle

- It looks like a hairy CAve ("hair" in Japanese is "ke")

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Rōmaji: KO

sounds like: **Cold or COla**

Mnemonic:

* It looks like a COla can rolling

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VOCABULARY

かお face

えき (train) station

おおきい big

いく to go

くうこう airport [the う makes the く and こ a longer sound. You don't pronounce it as a separate syllable.]

こい love or carp (fish)

かき persimmon fruit

いけ pond

Crossword Challenge!
Practice writing the hiragana (not romaji)!

Across

1 This means "face" (2)

3 This means "persimmon" (2)

4 This means "to go" (2)

Down

2 This means "big" (4)

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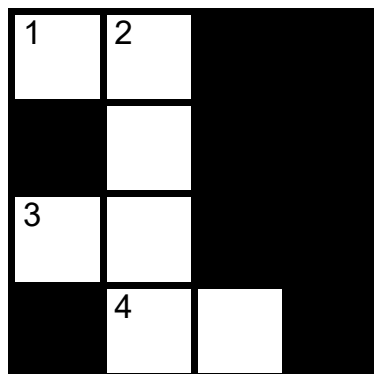
Q&A:

1) How do you write "big (train) station" [big + station]

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TRUE OR FALSE: (circle one)

1) くうこう means "airport"

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2) To make some sounds longer add an う

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