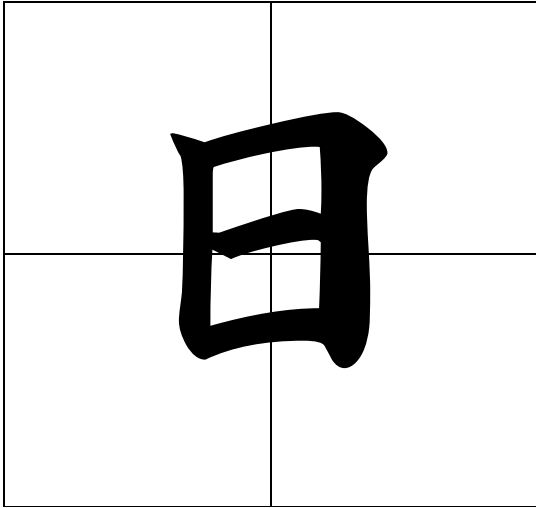


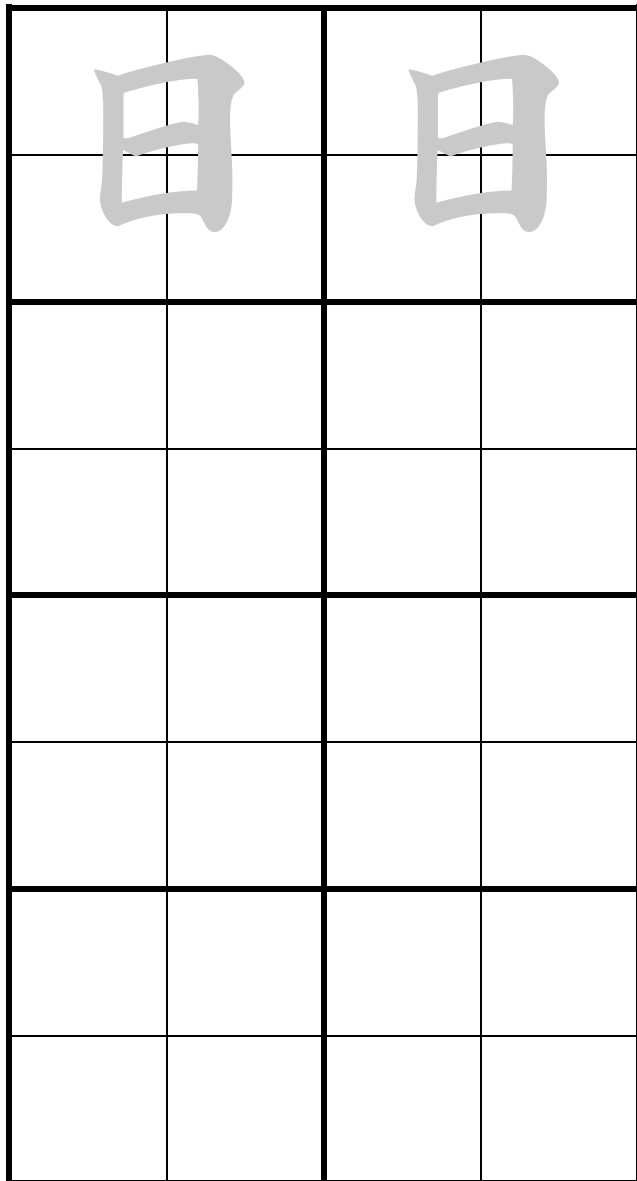


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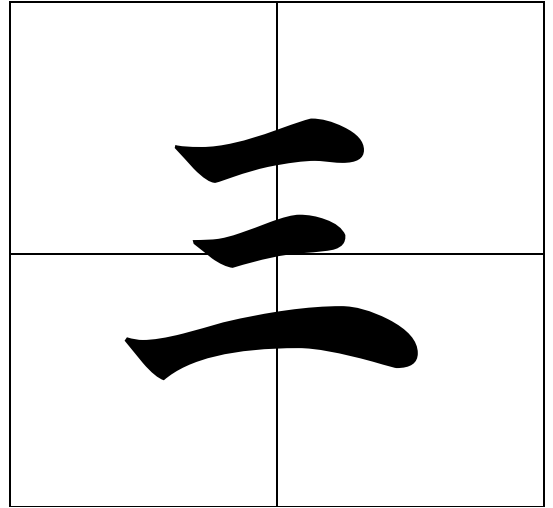


Sun, day

にち → ni-chi

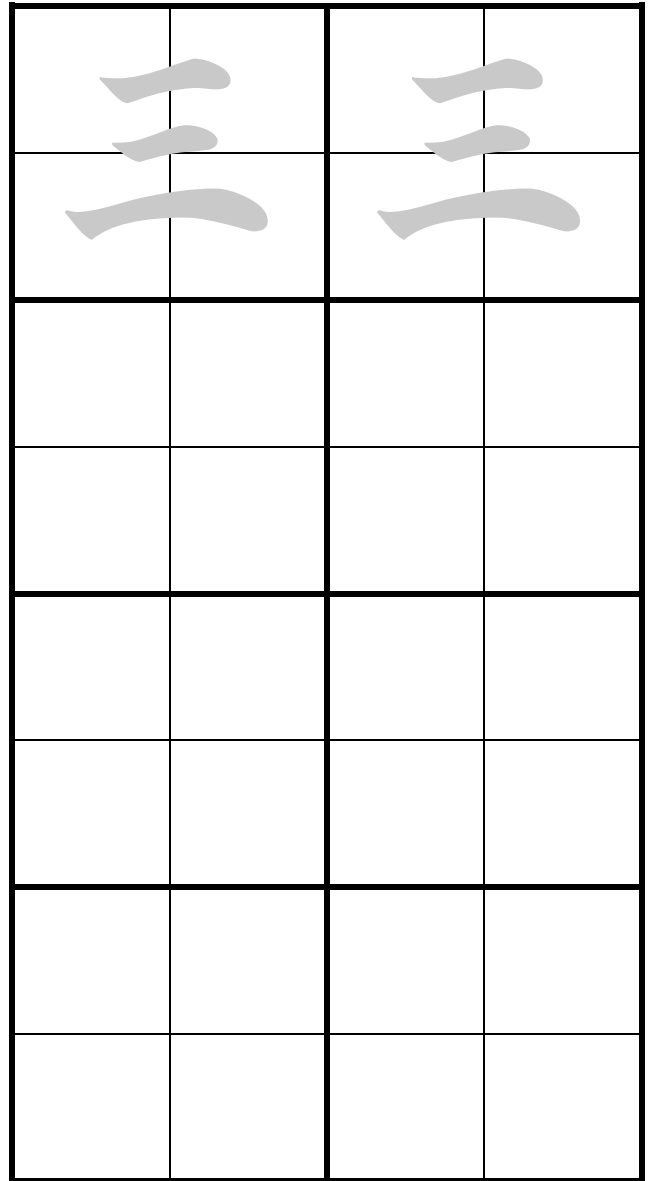


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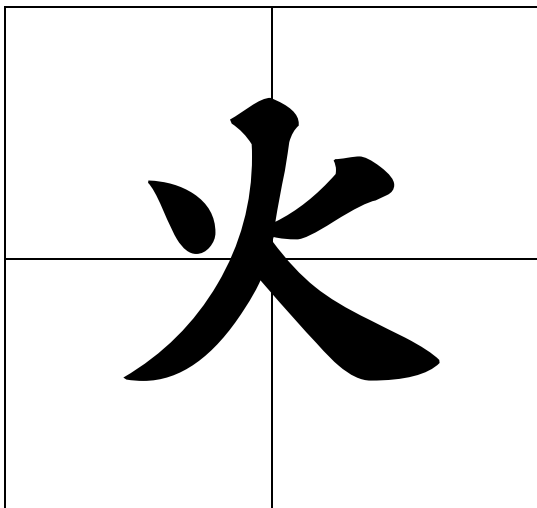


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さん → sa-n

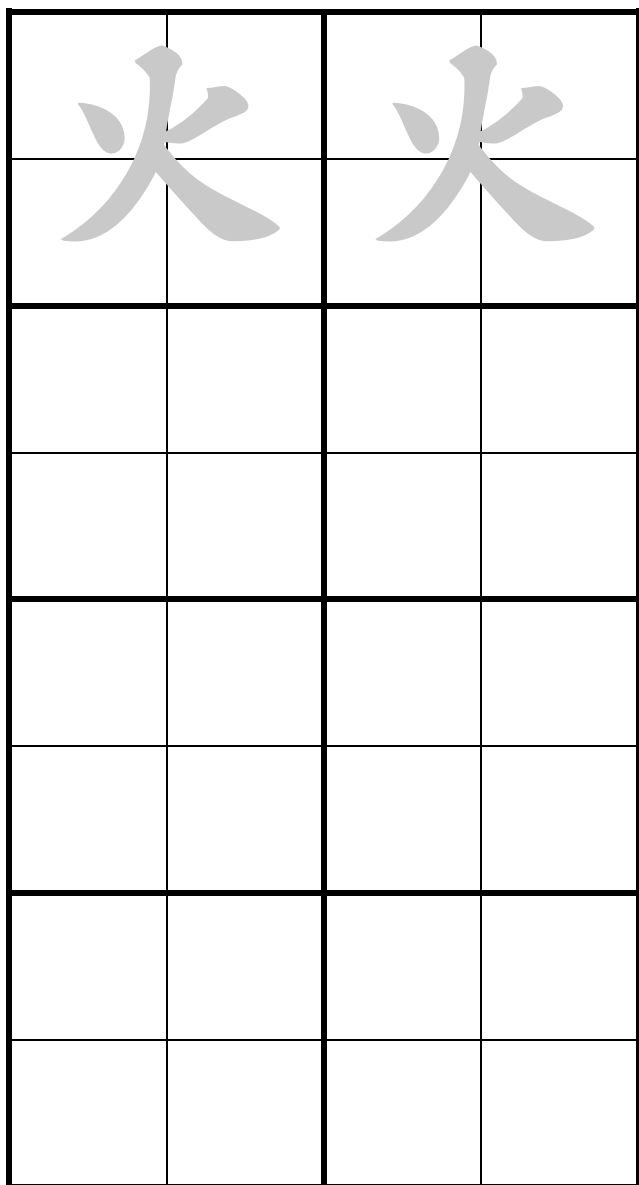


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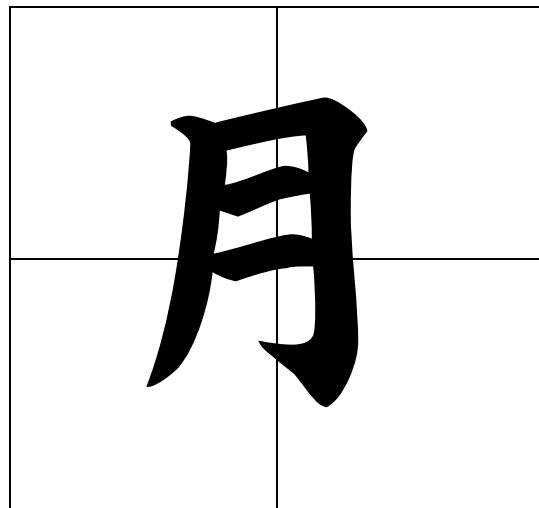


Fire

か→ka

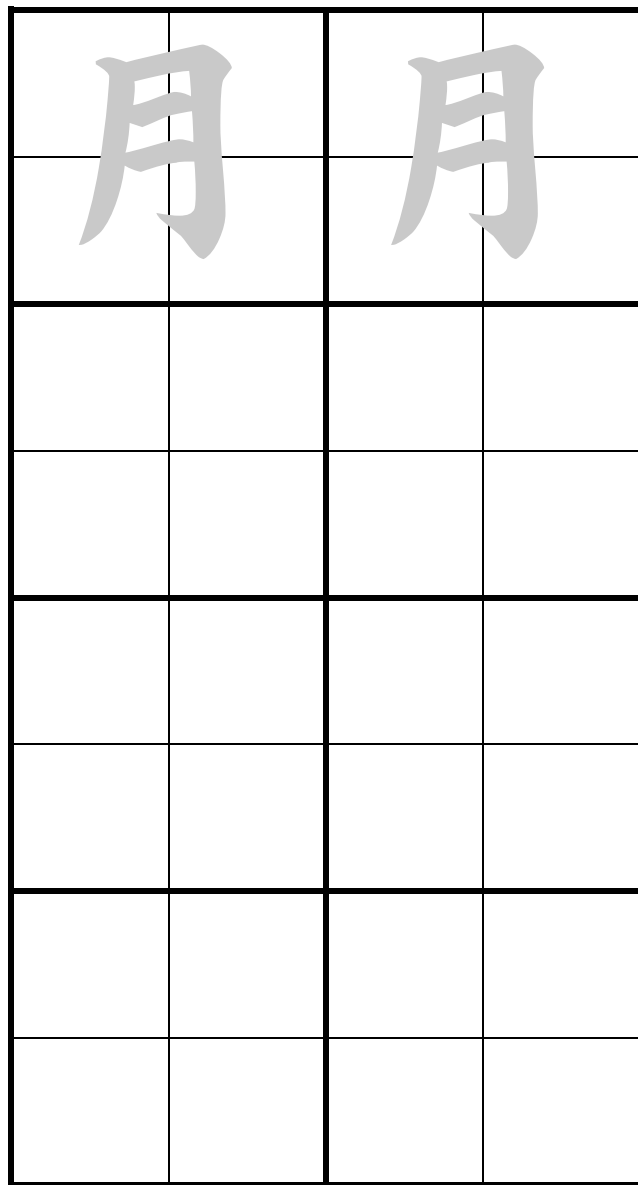


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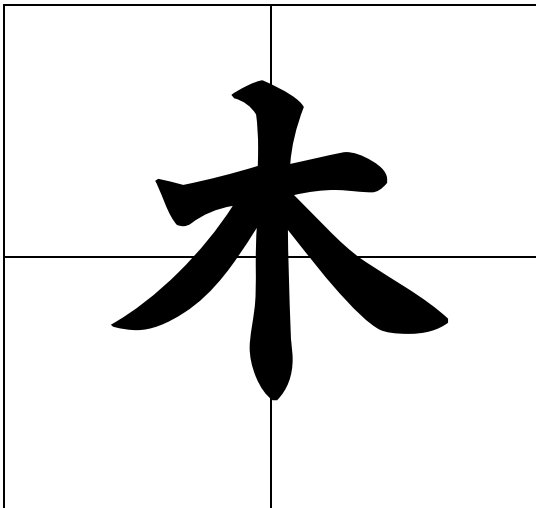


Moon, month

げつ→ge-tsu

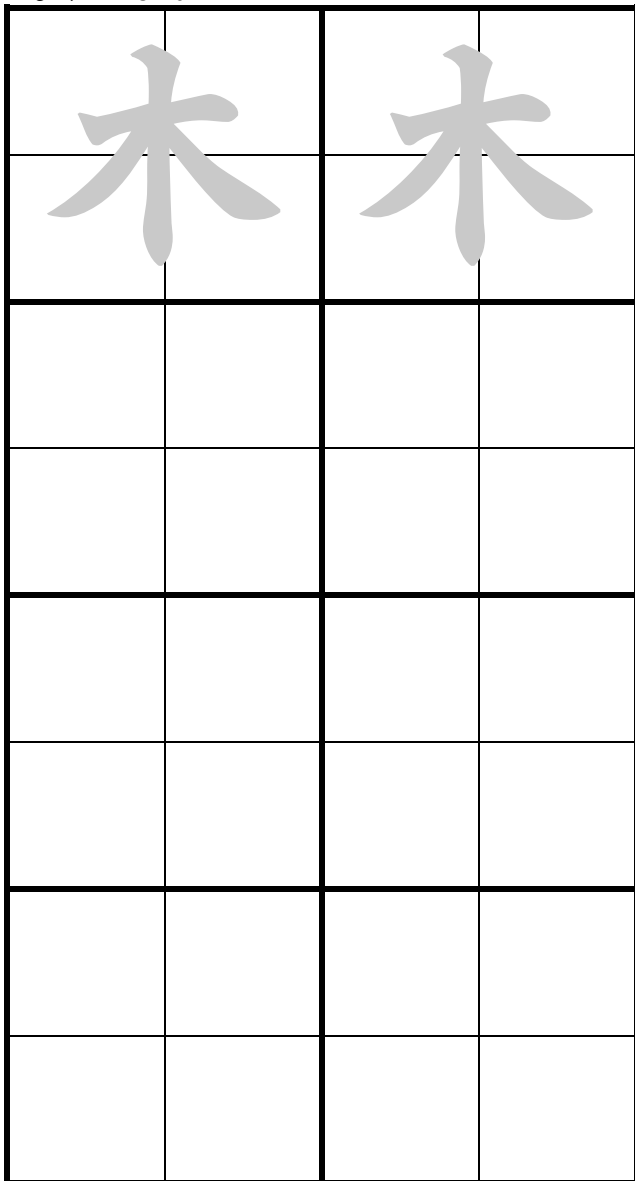


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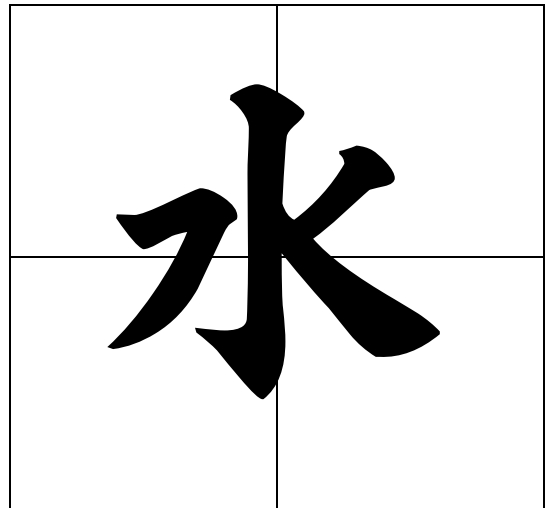


Tree

もく → mo-ku

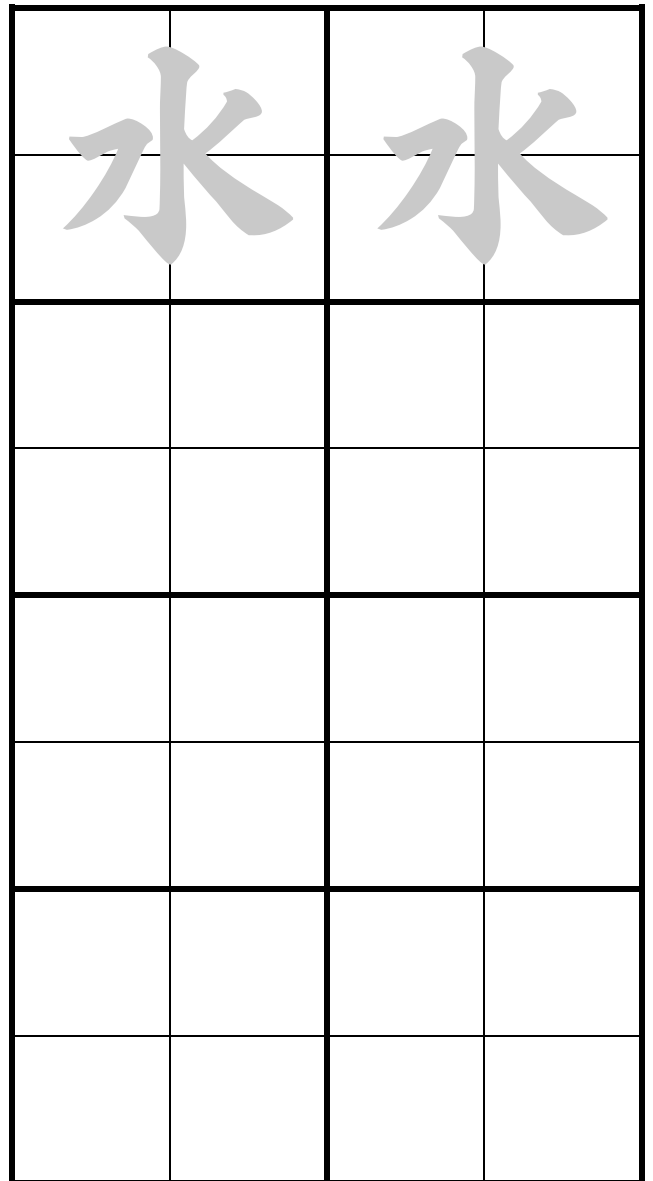


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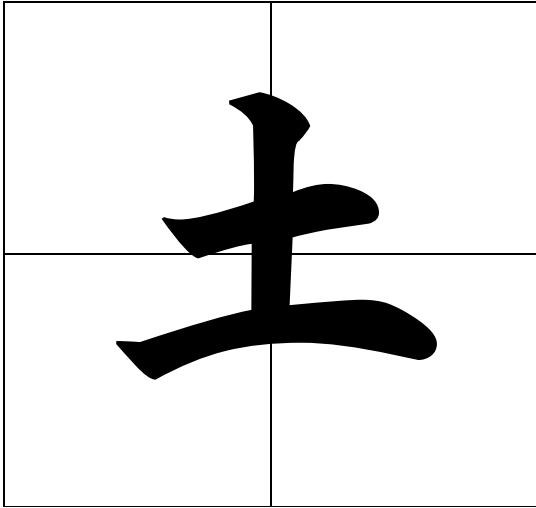


Water

すい → su-i

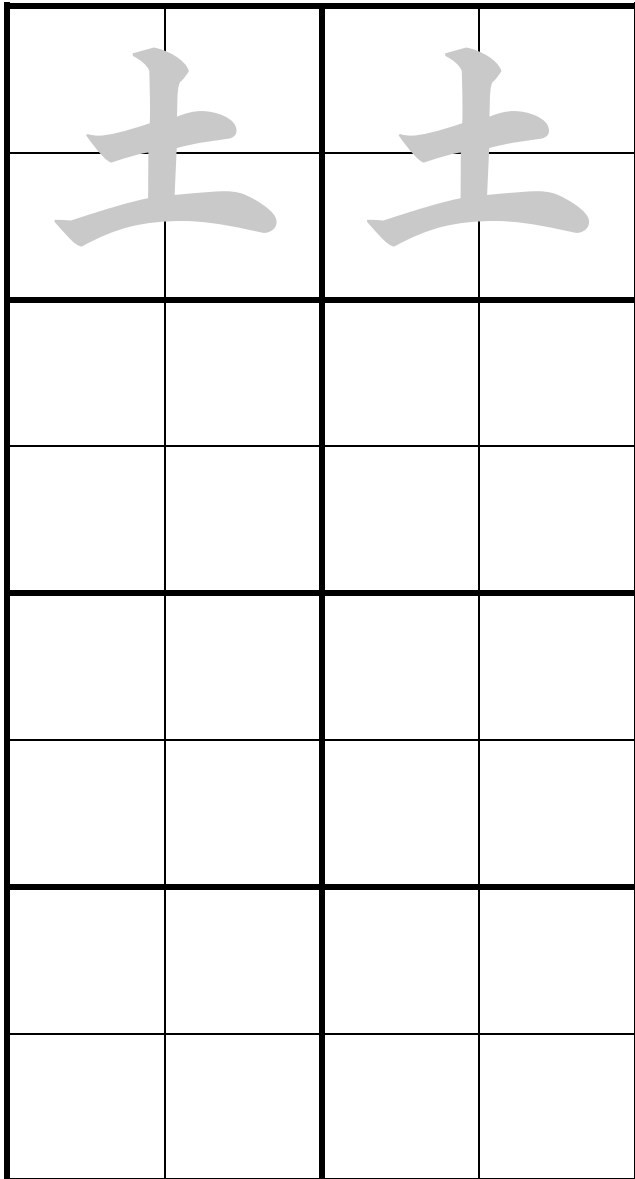


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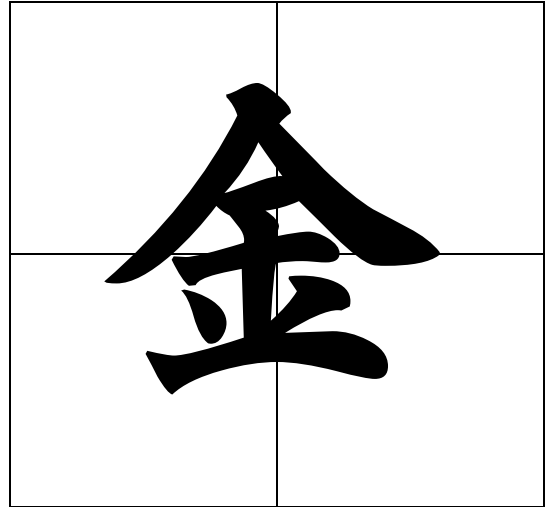


Ground

ど→do

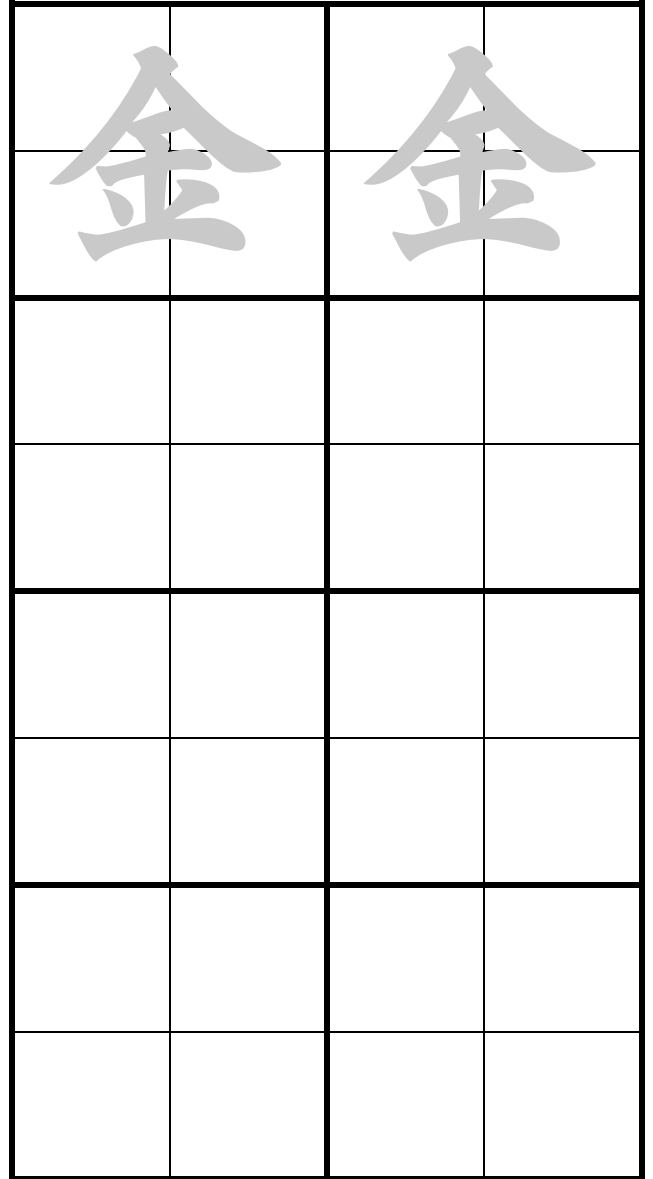


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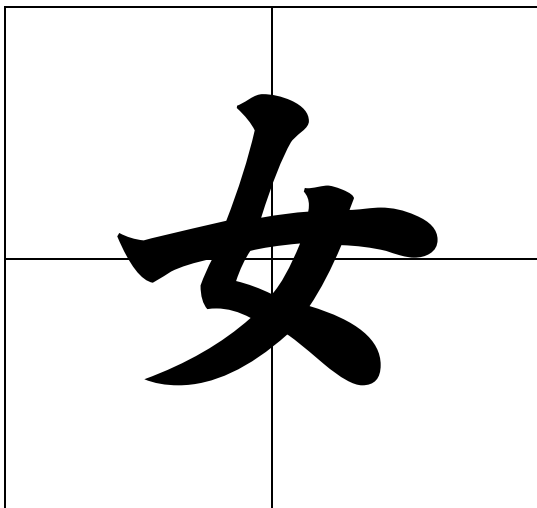


Gold, money

かね→ka-ne

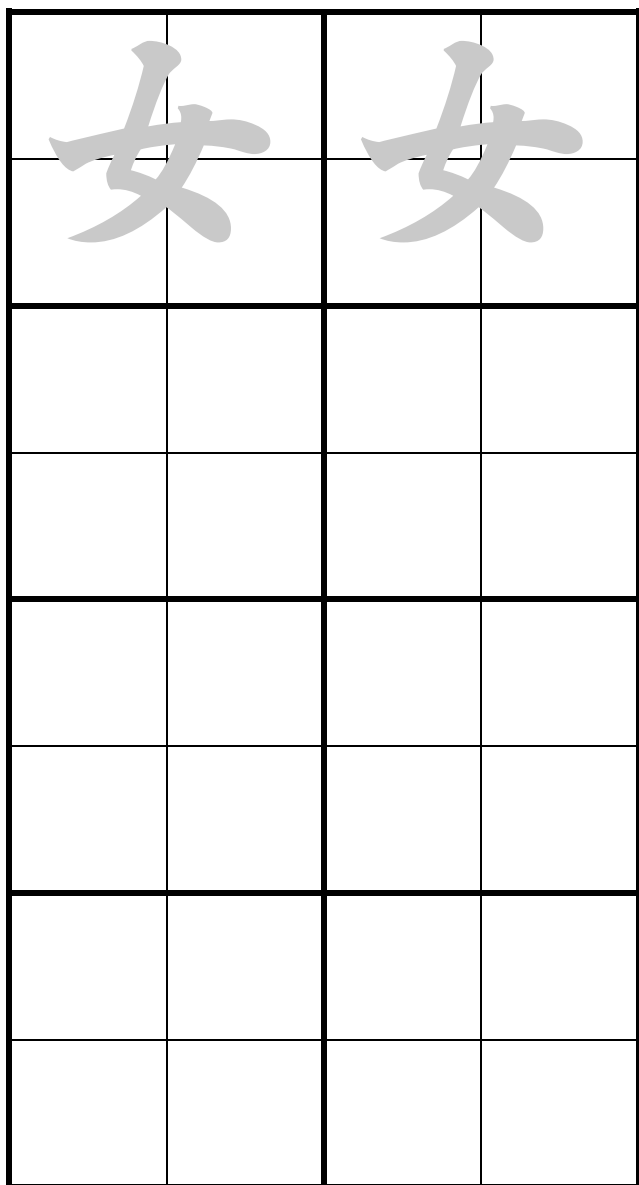


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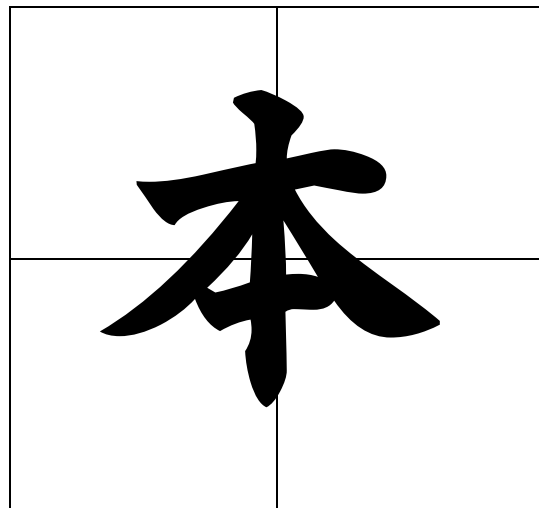


Woman

おんな→o-n-na

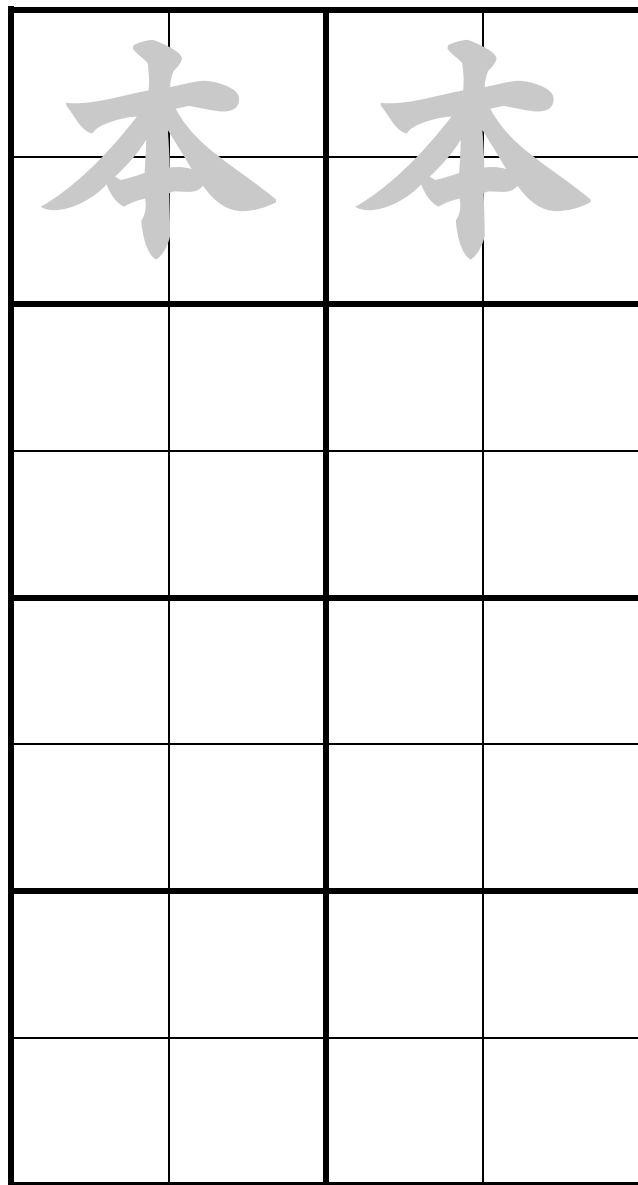


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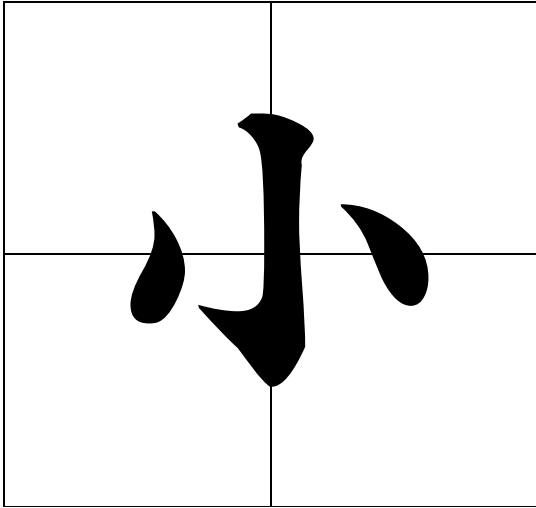


Book

ほん→ho-n

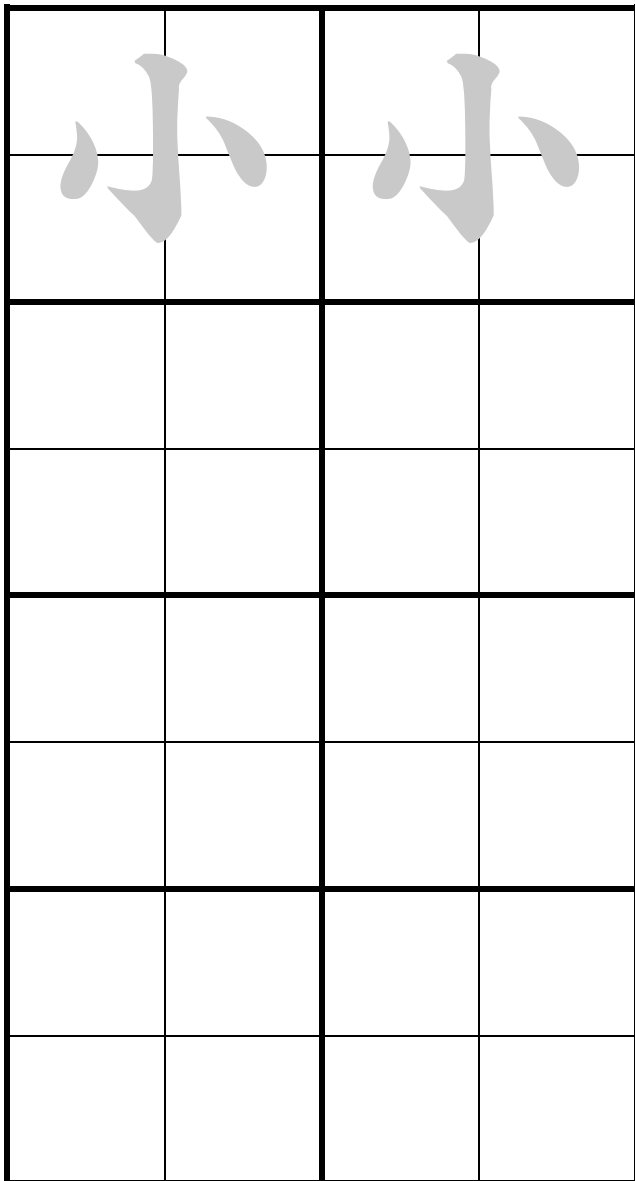


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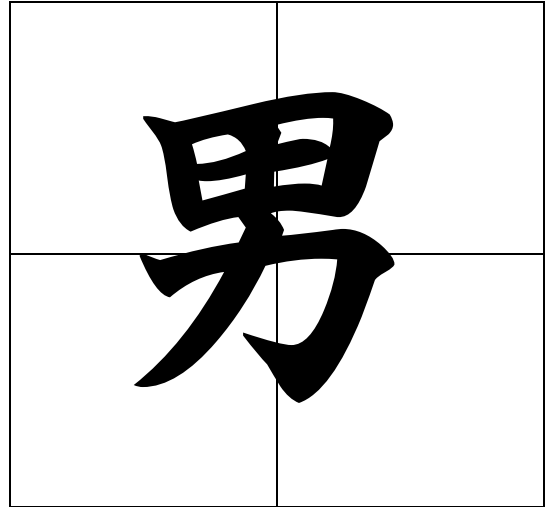


Small

ちい (さい) →chi-i(sa-i)

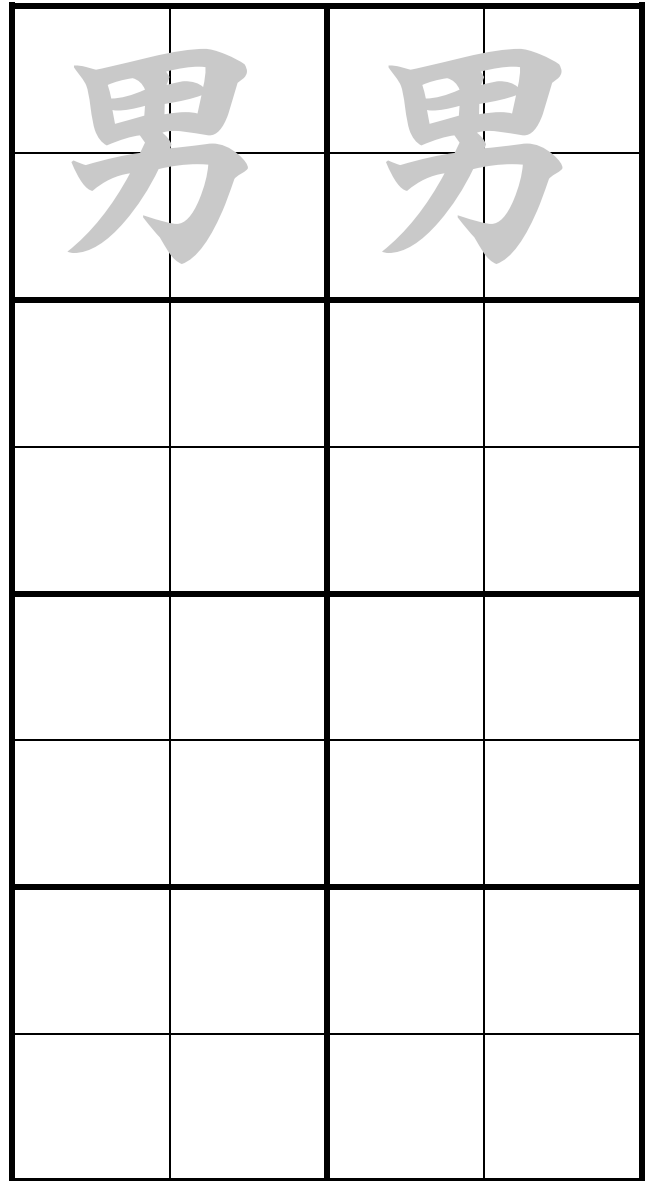


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Man

おとこ →o-to-ko







## Basic Conversation

### Conversation 1:

P1: こんにちは。あなたは <sup>なんさい</sup> 何歳 ですか？

Konnichiwa! Anata wa nan sai desu ka? (Hello! How old are you?)

P2: こんにちは。 <sup>わたし</sup> 私 は <sup>とろくさい</sup> 十六歳。

Konnichiwa! Watashi wa ju-roku sai. (Hello! I'm 16.)

P1: <sup>ほんとう</sup> 本当 ? <sup>わたし</sup> 私 も !

Honto? Watashi mo! (Really? Me too!)

### Conversation 2:

P1: おはよう！あなたの <sup>しゅっしん</sup> 出身 はどこですか？

Ohayo! Anata no shusshin wa doko desu ka? (Good morning! Where are you from?)

P2: <sup>わたし</sup> 私 は <sup>じん</sup> アメリカ人 です、あなたは？

Watashi wa America-jin desu, anata wa? (I'm American, and you?)

P1: すごい！私は <sup>にほんじん</sup> 日本人 です。

Sugoi! Watashi wa Nihon-jin desu. (Great! I'm Japanese.)

The phonetic guides above kanji are called 'furigana'・<sup>ふ</sup> <sup>かな</sup> 振り仮名' or 'yomigana'・<sup>よ</sup> <sup>がな</sup> 読み仮名'. They are often used in children's or learner reading material or with particularly obscure or uncommon characters. You can read more about furigana on Wikipedia.

### Conversation 3:

P1: お箸は上手ですか？  
お箸は上手ですか？

Ohashi wa jyouzu? (Are you skilled with chopsticks?)

P2: あんまり。あなたは？

Anmari. Anata wa? (Not really. How about you?)

P1: 私は結構。  
私は結構。

Watashi wa kekkou. (I'm okay.)

P2: いいね！

Ii ne! (That's great!)