

Otanjoobi = Birthday

Now that you can count, you can talk about months of the year, and say your birthday.

Months: The Japanese use 'gatsu' to indicate 'month'. To say a month of the year follow this pattern:

Number + **gatsu**

For example: January, the 1st month of the year, is 'Ichi gatsu'. October, the 10th month of the year, is 'Juu gatsu'. April, the 4th month of the year, is 'Shi gatsu' and NOT 'Yon gatsu'.

Task 1: How do you say the following in Japanese?

What month is it? _____

It's May. _____

Task 2: Fill in the missing words.

January	Ichi gatsu	一月	July		
February			August		
March			September		
April			October	Juu gatsu	十月
May			November		
June			December		

Days of the Month: The first 10 days of each month and the 14th, 20th and 24th days are a little tricky to remember. For the rest follow this pattern: **Number** + **nichi**

Task 3: How do you say the following in Japanese?

What's the date today? _____

It's _____.



Task 4: Fill in the blanks.

1 st	tsui tachi	一日	11 th	Juuichi nichi	十一日	21 st	nijuuichinichi	二十一日
2 nd	futsuka	二日	12 th	Juu ni nichi		22 nd		
3 rd	mikka	三日	13 th			23 rd		
4 th	yokka		14 th	Juuyokka	十四日	24 th	nijuuyokka	
5 th	itsuka		15 th			25 th		
6 th	muika		16 th			26 th		
7 th	nanoka		17 th			27 th		
8 th	yooka		18 th			28 th		
9 th	kokonoka		19 th	Juuku nichi		29 th		
10 th	tooka		20 th	hatsuka	二十日	30 th		
						31 st		

Birthdays: Now you know how to say the months and days, you can now say your birthday. To say a date in Japanese you must say the month before the day. For example, January 1st is 'Ichi gatsu tsuitachi'. The 12th of April is said "Shi gatsu juu ni nichi".

Task 5: How do you say the following in Japanese?

When is your birthday? _____

My birthday is _____.

Task 6: Ask 6 people in the class when their birthdays are. Write their names and birthdays below in ENGLISH.

1. _____ 4. _____

2. _____ 5. _____

3. _____ 6. _____