

Japanese Greetings & Partings

Greetings and partings are essential in every language when meeting someone new or just hanging out with close family and friends. In Japanese, there are the equivalents of many greetings we use in English, like *hello*, *good morning*, *how are you*, and *goodbye*.

- Hello

こんにちは - Konnichiwa

- Good Morning

おはようございます - Ohayōgozaimasu (formal)

お早う - Ohayou (informal)

- How are you?

お元気ですか - Ogenkidesuka

はじめまして - Hajimemashite

- I am fine/I am well

私はうまくやってる - Watashi wa umaku yatteru

- Good evening

こんばんは - Konbanwa

- Good night

おやすみなさい - Oyasuminasai

- Goodbye

さようなら - Sayōnara