Japanese Language Kit 1.2: Description and Specifications (6/95)

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TOPIC --

The Japanese Language Kit (JLK) 1.2 is the latest version of Apple software that
allows users to display, input, edit and print Japanese documents on their Mac
OS computer. The software is intended for Japanese language educators and
students, multinational businesses, and bilingual home users.

The following article contains a description of JLK 1.2 and lists its hardware
and software requirement specifications.

DISCUSSION --

Overview
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The Apple Japanese Language Kit contains everything you need to easily add
Japanese to your documents. The kit can be used with your Apple Macintosh
computer to run Japanese applications and include Japanese text in letters,
presentations, and reports. You can even work with files created using
KanjiTalk, Apple's Japanese version of the Macintosh operating system.

Whether you are a desktop publisher or business professional, you can use the
Language Kit to create materials such as brochures, posters, business cards,
presentations, and restaurant menus in Japanese. Students and teachers can use
it to run interactive Japanese-language programs and produce compelling term
papers in Japanese. Although the Japanese Language Kit does not translate text,
it does let you easily input, edit, and print in Japanese.

The Japanese Language Kit works as an extension to Mac OS software version 7.1
or later. It also allows you to run Japanese applications. Because the Language
Kit uses the operating system you already have, there is no need to store an
additional system on your hard disk. The Japanese Language Kit also contains
Kotoeri, the same easy-to-use input method that is included with KanjiTalk.

Almost every major software program has a version that has been localized for
Japanese. All you need to run them is the Japanese Language Kit and System 7.1
or later. You can even use nonlocalized programs that take advantage of
WorldScript, such as Nisus Writer, WordPerfect, and WorldWrite. WorldScript
simplifies the way in which a single operating system can support multiple
languages.

The Japanese Language Kit comes with three Kanji TrueType fonts, that produce high-quality output from any Macintosh compatible printer. Documentation is provided in both Japanese and English, and you can type using either the roman or the kana keyboard layout. These features make the Language Kit easy to use whether you're a native speaker or just learning Japanese.

Technical Specifications
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Usage Requirements

• Apple Macintosh computer with at least 5MB of RAM
. (8MB recommended for multiple applications)
• Hard disk with approximately 30MB of disk space available
• Apple SuperDrive (1.4 MB) floppy disk drive or CD-ROM drive
• Apple Macintosh System 7.1 or later
• An application that is localized for Japanese or that uses WorldScript software technology

Printer Support

• Recommended: QuickDraw printers, including the Apple StyleWriter line, the Apple Personal LaserWriter line, and the ImageWriter line
• PostScript-compatible printers, including Personal LaserWriter printers (although PostScript printers can produce Japanese, performance may
 vary)

System Software Requirements

• The Japanese Language Kit can be used with many nonlocalized programs that employ Apple WorldScript software technology. These programs include, but are not limited to:
– AllPage
– AllScript
– Logo Vista E to J
– Nisus Writer
– WinText
– WorldWrite
– WordPerfect

NOTE:
Apple has tested a limited number of applications; these lists are not intended to be comprehensive. Many nonlocalized applications that do not employ WorldScript software technology may provide limited functionality and allow input of Japanese characters.

Compatible applications

• The Japanese Language Kit can be used with a variety of applications localized for Japanese. They include:
– Acta 7 J

- Canvas J
- ClarisImpact J
- ClarisWorks J
- Director J
- Eg Word J
- FileMaker Pro J
- FreeHand J
- GreatWorks J
- HyperCard J
- Illustrator J
- Lotus 1-2-3 J
- MacDraw Pro J
- MacWord J
- MacWrite II J
- PageMaker J
- Persuasion J
- Photoshop J
- Premiere J
- QuarkXPress J
- SoundEdit J
- SuperPaint J
- WordPerfect J

Features
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Capabilities

• Create documents and presentations in both Japanese and English, or Japanese
and other languages supported by your system
• Produce promotional materials, foreign-language textbooks, bilingual
educational materials, and more
• Insert Japanese text into letters, presentations, spreadsheets, and other
documents
• Boost language learning by using inter-active practice drills and other
learning tools

Ease of use

• Installs quickly and easily
• Easily create, edit, and print Japanese
• Comes with an input guide that includes instructions in Japanese and English

Compatibility

• Runs applications that have been localized for Japanese, including
WordPerfect, Aldus Persuasion, FileMaker Pro, and Lotus 1-2-3
• Recommended for all QuickDraw printers; also works with PostScript-compatible
printers
• Runs on all Macintosh compatibles; 68020, 68030, and 68040 processor-based
computers; and Power Macintosh computers

Flexibility

• Comes with three Kanji TrueType fonts: HonMincho, MaruGothic, and Osaka
• Lets you display, edit, and print files created using KanjiTalk, the Japanese
version of the Macintosh operating system

Ordering Information
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Japanese Language Kit (Order No. M1648Z/C)
• Japanese Language Kit on thirteen 1.4 MB floppy disks and CD
• WorldScript II system extension
• Japanese Language Kit Installation and User's Guide
• Macintosh Japanese Input Method Guide

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