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Language Kits: Viewing Files/Folders in Japanese/Chinese (2/95)

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TOPIC -----

How do I display my files and folder names in Japanese or Chinese after installing one of the Language Kits on my Macintosh computer which is running System 7.1 (or higher)?

DISCUSSION -----

After installing one of the Language Kits on your System 7.1 or higher Macintosh computer, change the Views control panel font to either a Japanese or Chinese font so that file and folder names appear correctly.

The font which is currently selected may not be appropriate for the Language Kits. For example, many people use the Geneva font for file and folder names, but Geneva only contains characters for English and other languages that use the Roman character set (such as French, Spanish, and German).

The Osaka font contains Japanese characters as well as most commonly used Roman characters. Selecting Osaka in the Views control panel will make Japanese filenames readable.

Beijing and Taipei fonts contain Chinese characters as well as the most commonly used Roman characters. Selecting one of these fonts in the Views control panel will make Chinese file and folder names readable.

There is a side effect of choosing a Language Kit font in the Views control panel: certain accented characters and symbols (é and ™) will be replaced by other characters. This occurs because the Language Kit fonts have a different character mapping of the upper ASCII table than Roman fonts.

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