

## Japanese architectural terms

Choose one of the words below and explain what it is until your partner guesses which one you are talking about. Can they think of an easier way to explain what that thing is?

Tatami  
Tokonoma  
Washlette  
Shouji  
Fusuma  
Byoubu  
Chabudai  
Unit bath  
Oshiire  
Futon  
Kotatsu  
Getabako  
Zabuton  
Tansu  
Kamidana  
Butsudan  
Amado  
Torii  
Shichirin  
Ikebana

Genkan  
Washitsu  
Youshitsu  
Jou (size of room)  
Doma

Kura  
Machiya  
Nagaya  
Minka  
Sentou  
Apaato  
Manshon  
Heights  
Yashiki  
Ryokan/ Minshuku  
Honkan – Bekkan  
Koban

Kenpeiritsu  
Reikin  
Hoshounin

### Useful language

Made of bamboo/ reeds/ straw/ earth/ pottery

Used to../ for...

Similar to../ Like...

You slide/ fold/ store it.

Square/ rectangle/ triangle/ oval/ circle

Big/ little/ medium-sized

Traditional/ New/ Modern/ Old-fashioned