# Introduction to Tutorials

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# Motivation

As a TeX user, you might have noticed that this city is filled with so many different characters. You might be wondering,

- ▶ How does the Japanese language function with so many kinds of symbols?
- ▶ How are they arranged and classified?
- ▶ How many glyphs does a Japanese computer system need?
- ▶ What are the rules of Japanese typesetting?

# Aim

This tutorial should also serve as an introduction for the excursion on 25th October.

- ▶ Letterpress Printing Workshop
- ▶ Calligraphy Workshop

We hope these sessions help you get

- ▶ an idea of the Japanese writing system,
- ▶ the norms and practices underlying it, and
- ▶ how it is different from other writing systems of the world, especially the alphabet.

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