



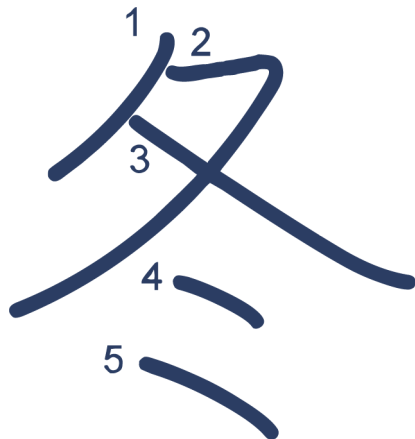
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# TEACHING TUESDAY

## KANJI - WINTER

Similar to autumn, the kanji for winter, 冬 fuyu, is a combination of two pictographs. The top 夂 part of the kanji shows a long leg pointed downward. The foot is on top of 冫, a pictograph of ice crystals, representing a freeze. The kanji is also read as “tou トウ”. For example, while 冬 (ふゆ fuyu) means winter in general, 冬季 (とうき touki), means specifically the season of winter.

Be sure to dress warmly this fuyu 冬 in your 冬着 (ふゆぎ fuyugi), aka winter clothing!



Meaning: Winter

Kun'yomi: Fuyu ふゆ foo-yoo

On'yomi: Tou トウ toh