

How to use YOMIDAS REKISHIKAN database

Business Department, Digital Media Bureau The Yomiuri Shimbun More than 14 million articles from The Yomiuri Shimbun's first issue in 1874 right up to the latest issue are available online.

Access the Yomidas Rekishikan site

https://database.yomiuri.co.jp/rekishikan/

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Meiji, Taisho, Showa Eras

High-quality scans of articles as they originally appeared since the first issue on Nov. 2, 1874, to 1989

Heisei & Reiwa Eras

Articles since September 1986 in a full-text format as well as in a clipping view since December 2008

The Japan News

Articles since September 1989 in a full-text format

Contemporary Who's Who

Biographical data on 26,000 contemporary noteworthy people in Japan and abroad

Regional Sections (Showa Era)

2.76 million pages from regional news sections

Logging out

Log out after use by clicking 「ログアウト」 at the top right-hand corner of the screen.





Cross-search function now available



A new cross-search function makes finding stories much easier. Previously, users needed to access a specific section before searching for stories, but now users only need to type a keyword in the cross-search window.

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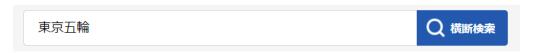


*Users may select a section for a more detailed search, such as for stories on a specific date.

How to use cross-search function



1 There is a new window for cross-searching stories in all sections, except The Japan News section.



2 Type the search term in the window and click the search button.

3 The number of search results for each section will be displayed.



4 Click the number of search results and you will be directed to the list of results for that section.



How to search stories in a specific section

Users may select a section for a more detailed search, such as for stories on a certain date, during a certain period, or in a specific category.



Meiji, Taisho, Showa Eras (1874-1989)

Search screen

Articles may be searched by headline or keyword(s).





Results listing

Search results are displayed. Click the headline of the article you wish to read.

Print edition display

Page containing the searched article is displayed in a viewer window.

- 1) Print the entire page or the designated area.
- 2) Zoom in or out using the functions here.

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- 3) Jump to the preceding or next search result.
- 4) A red thumbtack icon marks the searched article.

- I) Headline Search allows users to search only headlines.
- 2) Click here to search advertisements only.
- 3) Click here if story must include a photo.



Heisei & Reiwa Eras (since 1986, updated every day)

Search screen

Search for articles by full text or by keyword(s).



- 1) Full-Text Search targets both headlines and articles. Keyword Search will match tags that have been added to articles in Yomidas Rekishikan.
- 2) Click the box and choose from the options to select a specific date range search.
- 3) Click Selected Sections box and choose from the regions listed.

Results Listing

The Results Listing is displayed. Click the headline of the article you wish to read to display it in a full-text format.



Display in clipping format

Clipping Viewer, a window with advanced browsing and printing capability.

- 1) You can print the entire clipping or a selected part.
- 2) You can toggle the Navigator window between showing and hiding.
- 3) You can change the zoom level of the clipping.

The Japan News (since 1989, updated every day)

Search screen



Enter a search term and click search. Search terms can be in upper or lower case.

- ▶Full-Text Search is useful when searching articles with terms comprising two or more words. Use Phrase Search function by enclosing a group of words, such as "prime minister," with double quotation marks.
- ► Keyword Search is useful when searching stories with a specific term.
- ▶If you use an asterisk (*), you can search for words that include letters before or after the asterisk. For example, a search for "anti* *ate" brings up words with the prefix "anti" and the suffix "ate."

Results listing



The searched articles will be displayed. Click the headline of the article you wish to read.



Full-text display



The article will be displayed in the full-text format.

A useful feature in The Japan News section

You can toggle the window between English and Japanese.



The blue icon on the right-hand side of a headline indicates the story has an English translation.

Articles since September 1989 are available in a full-text format. Click the icon reading 「この記事を邦文で 読む」 to jump to the original Japanese article.

For the English translation, click the icon reading 「この記事を英文で読む」.

Links between Japanese and English articles are available for articles since 2011.



Contemporary Who's Who

Biographical data on about 26,000 noteworthy people

Search screen



Enter the full name, first name or family name and click the Search button.

Results listing



The list of results is displayed. Click the name of the person you are searching.

Names of Japanese people must be written in kanji or hiragana. Names of non-Japanese may be searched by inputting katakana characters, or Chinese and hiragana for countries and territories that use Chinese characters.

Detailed data



Detailed data on the person is displayed. You can view articles on the person from the same screen.



Regional Sections (Showa Era) 1933-2001

Search Screen



Articles from Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba and Saitama prefectures may be searched by headline or keyword(s).

- I) You do not need to input a search term to start a search session.
- 2) Click the box and choose from the regions listed. All regions can be searched.
- 3) Click the box and choose from the options to perform a specific date range search.

Results listing



The Results Listing is displayed. Click the headline of the article or the page you wish to read.

►The date and page number are displayed as headlines for prefectures other than Tokyo, Kanagawa, Chiba and Saitama.



Print edition display

The page containing the searched article is displayed in a viewer window.

- I) You can print the entire page or the designated area.
- 2) You can jump to the preceding or next search result.
- 3) You can change the zoom percentage.
- 4) A red thumbtack icon marks the searched article.

Useful functions

Saved Articles

The Saved Articles feature allows articles to be saved for easy retrieval.

Saved Searches

The Saved Searches feature allows favorite search formulas to be saved.

Link between Japanese and English articles

Major stories from the Heisei era are linked to their English translations in The Japan News, an English daily published by The Yomiuri Shimbun.

Dictionary functions

The second edition of Daijirin, Concise EX English-Japanese Dictionary, Concise EX Japanese-English Dictionary (all published by Sanseido), and Imidas (Shueisha) are available.

Glossary and Reference

Glossary and Reference contains tips for efficient searching of Yomidas Rekishikan.

Sorting function

Choose between showing search results in chronological or reverse chronological order.



Any Questions?

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