

KIMONOS



What is the Kimono?

The Kimono is the traditional dress of Japan. It has long **sleeves** and reaches from the **shoulders** all the way down to one's **heels**. Kimonos are generally made of **silk** and they are tied with a wide **belt** called an obi.

What does the Japanese Kimono represent?

The Kimono is a symbol of **longevity** and good fortune. They wear them at **weddings** and festivals

What colour are Kimonos in seasons?

Pale colours such as light green are appropriate for **spring**, while cool colours such as lavender or dark blue are good for **summer**. **Autumn** colours imitate the leaves, and **winter** is the **season** for strong colours like black and red.

What is the Yukata?

Yukata is an informal kind of Kimono. It is ideal for wearing in warmer months to events such as Japanese street festivals, anime conventions, and just having fun around town.

Yukata are most popular during the summer months.

Yukata usually had only two sets of colours: white-black or blue-white.

ACTIVITIES:

1. What is the Spanish word for each word in **bold type**?

2. Draw a kimono and decorate it.

