World Lit 9 (Boswell)

**Characteristics of Japanese Culture WebQuest**

<http://web-japan.org/kidsweb/index.html>

<http://www.gojapango.com/culture/culture.html>

Please navigate the above websites to become familiar with the intriguing mix of traditional elements rooted in ancient Asian customs and modern Western influences that together make up Japanese culture. There are many additional items that may interest you as well.

Language:

* Kanji
* Hiragana
* Katakana

Ancient Traditions:

* Tea Ceremony
* Geisha (gojapango)
* Shoguns
* Samurai

Food:

* Bento Box
* Sushi
* Rice & Miso Soup
* Wagashi

Fashion:

* Kimono
* Harajuku youth fashion (gojapango)

Sports:

* Sumo
* Judo

Arts & Entertainment:

* Ukiyo-e
* Origami
* Bonsai
* Ikebana
* Koto
* Shodo

Festivals:

* Japanese New Year’s Day
* Bon-Odori – Summer Festivals

Architecture:

* Housing
* Buddhist Temples (gojapango)
* Shinto Shrines (gojapango)