

Loan Words To English, Pt. 1

Japanese uses many loan words (*gairaigo* or *wasei-igo*) from English and other languages. But so does English—do you know the meaning of these 10 words and their origin?

1. Ballet ____
2. Delicatessen/Deli ____
3. Genre ____
4. Kindergarten ____
5. Macho ____
6. Patio ____
7. Gung-ho ____
8. Paparazzi ____
9. Tarantula ____
10. Ketchup ____

- A. a school that children go to before elementary school
- B. photographers who take pictures of famous people
- C. a type of dance
- D. a type or style of something (music, books, etc.)
- E. a big, scary species of spider
- F. a sauce put on hamburgers, french fries, etc.
- G. to be really excited or enthusiastic about something
- H. someone who is very strong or manly
- I. a shop that sells meat, sandwiches, and other small foods
- J. an area outside a house with tables and chairs, but no roof

Origin (there are 2 words from each):



Italian



German



French



Spanish



Chinese

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Answer Key:

1. C
2. I
3. D
4. A
5. H
6. J
7. G
8. B
9. E
10. F

Italian: 8, 9

German: 2, 4

French: 1, 3

Spanish: 5, 6

Chinese: 7, 10