

# Lesson 17: Desire and Need

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## たい form

This is the “I want to” verb form. Simply take the masu stem of a verb and attach たい.

📌 *Reminder that a masu stem of a verb is a verb conjugated into masu form but masu taken out.*

### Group 1: Godan verbs (u)

飲む

飲みます

飲み+たい

飲みたい = I want to drink

### Group 2: Ichidan verbs (ru)

食べる

食べます

食べ+たい

食べたい = I want to eat

### Group 3: する verbs

勉強する

勉強します

勉強+したい

勉強したい = I want to study (says no one ever ^^;)

- ❖ For negatives, just remove the last い of たい and attach くない
- ❖ For all other conjugations, follow い-Adjectives' conjugation forms

### Examples:

ああ、暑い！なんか冷たい物が飲みたい

ああ、あつい！なんかつめたいものがのみたい

Wow, it's hot! I want to drink something cold

あそこに二度と行きたくない

あそこににどといきたくない

I don't want to go there again.

## ? Questions ?

Change these verbs into たい form:

1. 入る "はいる" To Enter
2. 寝る "ねる" To Sleep
3. 復活 "ふっかつ" To revive

## ○ Answers ○

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### 欲しい

1. Used when you want an object
2. 欲しい is usually written in Kana
3. It is only used for your **personal desires, not for another person's**

### Sentence Making

Noun + が + ほしい

📌 Note: treat ほしい as an い-adjective

### Examples

リンゴがほしい

I want an apple

もっと大きい車がほしい

もっとおおきいくるまがほしい

I want a bigger car

今は何も欲しくない

いまはなににもほしくない

I don't want anything at the moment

## てほしい

This grammar **indicates your request or wish for someone else to do something.**

### Sentence Making

Target に + Verb in て form + ほしい

### Examples

仕事が多いから、誰かに手伝ってほしい。

しごとがおおいから、だれかにてつだってほしい。

Since there is a lot of work, I would like someone to help me.


このイベントには、たくさんの人に来てほしい。

このイベントには、たくさんのひとにきてほしい。

I want a lot of people to come to this event.

There are two negative forms of てほしい.

1. ないで Form + ほしい ("I wish you wouldn't do X", softer, more indirect)
2. て form + ほしくない ("I don't want you to do X", more direct)

 **TIP:** ないでほしい is often used instead of ないでください when asking someone not to do something.

### ? Questions ?

Translate

1. I don't want many people to come to my house (use both negative forms)
2. I don't want you to go (both negative forms)

Vocab:

たくさん (たくさん) Many/much/a lot

人 (ひと) Person/people

家 (いえ) House/home

来る (くる) To come

行く (いく) To go

### ○ Answers ○

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## 必要(ひつよう)

- ❖ 必要 means need/necessity
- ❖ Treat it as a noun

### Example

少なくとも3人が必要だ。  
すくなくとも3にんがひつようだ。  
We need at least 3 people.

水道は必要がある  
すいどうはひつようがある  
There is a need/necessity for water supply

急ぐ必要がない。  
いそぐひつようがない。  
There is no need to rush

## ? Questions ?

Translate

1. I don't need money
2. I need you
3. There is no need to clean every day (掃除 [そうじ] To clean)
4. 謝る必要はない (謝る [あやまる] To apologize)

Vocab:

お金 (おかね) Money  
必要 (ひつよう) Necessary/need  
君 (きみ) You  
毎日 (まいにち) Every day  
掃除する (そうじ) To clean  
謝る (あやまる) To apologize

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## がる

To express other people's wants we have to attach the verb がる to the end of たい and ほしい.  
がる means "seems like" so you're saying it seems like that person wants X (because you shouldn't assume you know what someone else wants)

### Sentence Making

Remove the final い then add がる

たい → たがる

ほしい → ほしがる

✿ Usually, ている is added to express that someone wants that thing at this moment, but when talking about a general tendency to want something/negative form you don't use ている

### Examples

いつも出かけたがる！

いつもでかけたがる！

You **always** want to go out!

スーさんは食べたがっている

スーさんはたべたがっている

Sue wants to eat (right now)

ロバートは行きたがらない

ロバートはいきたがらない

Robert doesn't want to go

お金が欲しがっている

おかねがほしがっている

You want **money**



## Homework:

<[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1knSGJ-8T2bWtBk\\_2IfcbLa53PUPAXVHAM93iw7IYeoU/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1knSGJ-8T2bWtBk_2IfcbLa53PUPAXVHAM93iw7IYeoU/edit?usp=drivesdk)>



## Extra Resources

### Websites

Tae Kim's Guide <<http://www.guidetojapanese.org/learn/grammar/desire>>

Tofugu <<https://www.tofugu.com/japanese-grammar/tai-form/>>

Wasabi <<https://www.wasabi-jpn.com/how-to-speak-japanese/live-seminar/how-to-express-desire-in-japanese-using-tai-hoshii/>>

Wasabi part 2 <<https://www.wasabi-jpn.com/japanese-grammar/how-to-express-desire/>>

Tofugu - たがる <<https://www.tofugu.com/japanese-grammar/tagaru-form/>>

### Videos

Miku Real Japanese <<https://youtu.be/fNj0Vm8lFPE>>

Japanese Ammo with Misa <<https://youtu.be/CiJF9fs0ESE>>

Miku Real Japanese part 2% <[https://youtu.be/\\_544LGbtvd4](https://youtu.be/_544LGbtvd4)>

Miku Real Japanese part 2 <<https://youtu.be/KJvrLGCbWPE>>

### Practice Exercises

Wasabi <<https://www.wasabi-jpn.com/japanese-lessons/japanese-grammar-exercise-expressing-desire/>>