Recess Adventures in the Schoolyard

Japanese · elementary · kids playground · children · 6 min

Lyricate
LEARN IT IN MUSIC

01 VOCABULARY

Elementary Japanese learning song about kids playground. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	こうていで かくれんぼを します。 Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu.	We play hide and seek in the schoolyard.	running to hide behind a leafy tree
2	すべりだいで すべるのが だいすきです。 Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu.	I love sliding on the slide.	zooming down the smooth yellow slide
3	ともだちと なわとびを します。 Tomodachi to nawatobi o shimasu.	I jump rope with my friend.	skipping over the turning rope together
4	ぶらんこに のります。 Buranko ni norimasu.	I ride the swing.	pumping legs to swing up high in the sky
5	こうていで あそびます。 Koutei de asobimasu.	I play in the schoolyard.	laughing and running during recess
6	すべりだいで すべる。 Suberidai de suberu.	Sliding on the slide.	climbing up the ladder to the top
7	ともだちと はしります。 Tomodachi to hashirimasu.	I run with my friend.	racing across the wide open playground
8	かくれんぼを します。 Kakurenbo o shimasu.	I play hide and seek.	counting to ten with eyes covered

NEW WORDS (8)

koutei こうてい
schoolyard

kakurenbo かくれんぼ
hide and seek

shimasu します
do

suberidai すべりだい
slide

suberu すべる
slide

tomodachi ともだち
friend

nawatobi なわとび
jump rope

buranko ぶらんこ
swing

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

ko

u

te

i

bu

ra

[REVIEW]

Shitsumon suru toki wa te o agete ne!

When asking a question, raise your hand, okay?

Boku no ato ni kurikaeshite ne!

Repeat after me, okay?

Gakkou de nihongo o hanashimasu!

I speak Japanese at school!

Imouto wa boku yori hayaku hashirimasu!

My little sister runs faster than me!

[VERSE 1]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!

koutei

schoolyard

kakurenbo

hide and seek

shimasu

do

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!

Koutei de asobimasu!

I play in the schoolyard!

Koutei de asobimasu!

I play in the schoolyard!

[CHORUS]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!
Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!
Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!
I love sliding on the slide!
Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!
I love sliding on the slide!

[VERSE 2]

Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!
I love sliding on the slide!
suberidai
slide
suberu
slide
Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!
I love sliding on the slide!
Suberidai de suberu!
Sliding on the slide!
Suberidai de suberu!
Sliding on the slide!
Kono suberidai wa takai desu!
This slide is tall!

[CHORUS]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!
Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
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Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!
I love sliding on the slide!
Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!

I love sliding on the slide!

[VERSE 3]

Tomodachi to nawatobi o shimasu!
I jump rope with my friend!
tomodachi
friend
nawatobi
jump rope
Tomodachi to nawatobi o shimasu!
I jump rope with my friend!
Buranko ni norimasu!
I ride the swing!
buranko
swing
Buranko ni norimasu!
I ride the swing!
Tomodachi to buranko ni norimasu!
I ride the swing with my friend!
Tomodachi to hashirimasu!
I run with my friend!

[CHORUS]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
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[VERSE 4]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!
We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!
Suberidai de suberu!

Sliding on the slide!

Buranko ni norimasu!

I ride the swing!

Tomodachi to nawatobi o shimasu!

I jump rope with my friend!

Tomodachi to hashirimasu!

I run with my friend!

Kono ki wa takai desu!

This tree is tall!

Koutei de asobimasu!

I play in the schoolyard!

Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!

I love sliding on the slide!

Tomodachi to issho ni asobimasu!

I play together with my friend!

[CHORUS]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

We play hide and seek in the schoolyard!

Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!

I love sliding on the slide!

Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!

I love sliding on the slide!

[RECAP]

Koutei de kakurenbo o shimasu!

Suberidai de suberu no ga daisuki desu!

Tomodachi to nawatobi o shimasu!

Suberidai, buranko, kakurenbo, nawatobi, koutei!

Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

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