

Verb (ば-form) + いいですか

What/How should I do [Verb]?

どうすれば
いいですか?

ここを押せば
いいですよ。

Asking for Advice
or Instructions
(助言の要求・相談)

Asking Someone for Advice, Guidance, or Instructions.

CONFUSION!

WHAT DOES THIS SAY?

SO MANY KANJI!

「どこに なまえを
かけば いいですか？」
(Where should I
write my name?)

When you don't
know what to do or
where to go, combine
a verb in its ば-form
with "ii desu ka"
to ask for help!



The Advice Compass



Convert the verb into its ば conditional form and attach "ii desu ka"!
iku becomes **ikeba** ii desu ka.

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どこで きっぷを かえば いいですか。
(Where should I buy a ticket?)

Raya's Master Hack: The 4 Essential Combos.



どう
すれば
いいですか
(What should
I do?)

どこへ
いけば
いいですか
(Where should
I go?)

いつ
だせば
いいですか
(When should I
submit it?)

だれに
きけば
いいですか
(Who should I
ask?)

The most useful phrase in all of Japanese when you're stuck is "*Dou sureba ii desu ka?*". Memorize these 4 and you'll never be helpless in Japan!

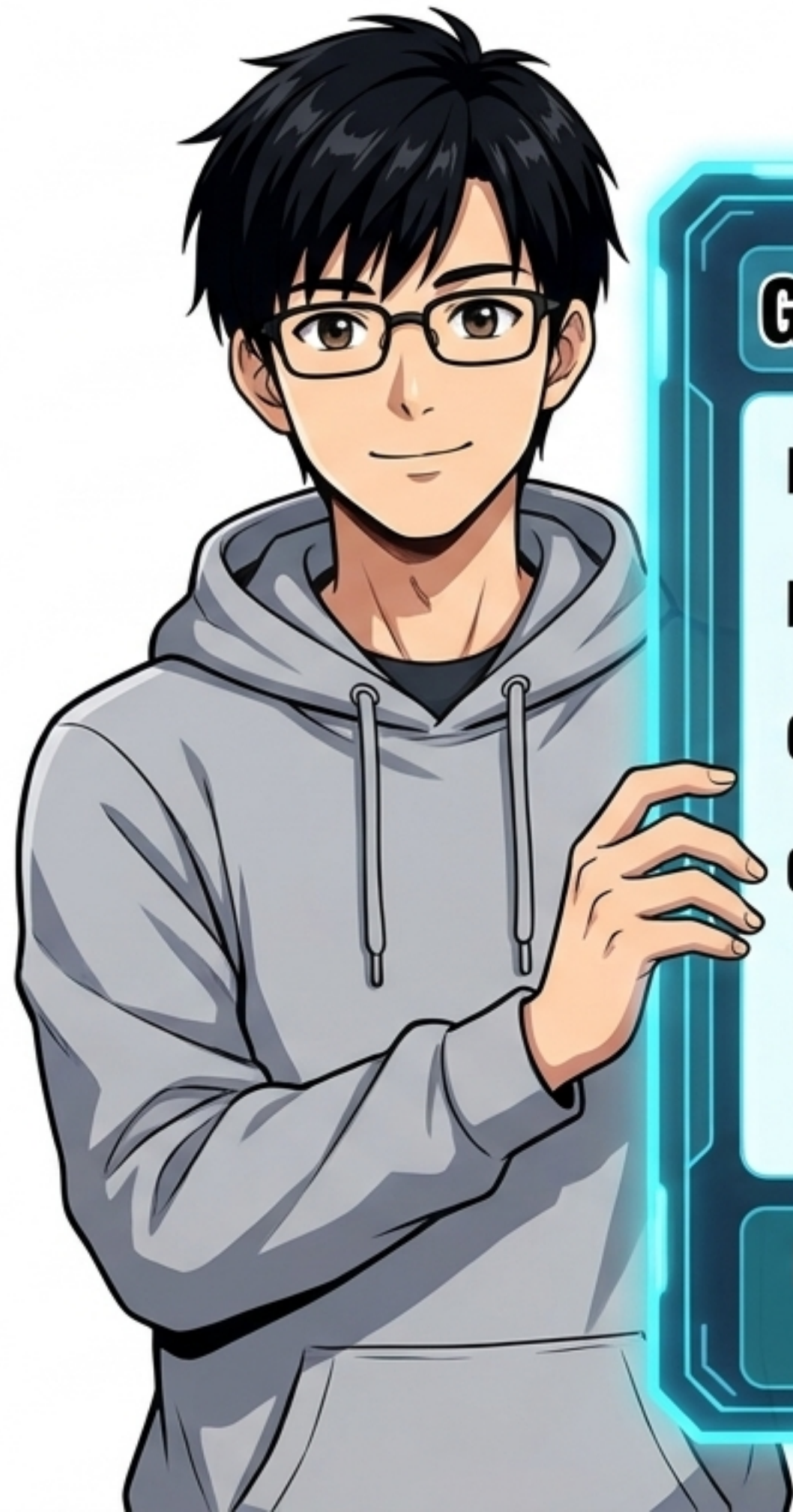
Don't do this!

✗ Attaching “いいですか”
directly to Dictionary Form.

「どこで きっぷを
かう いいですか！」

Joy, wait! You cannot say
kau ii desu ka. You **MUST** convert the
verb into its *ば*-form first!

○ どこで きっぷを かえば いいですか



Grammar Cheat Sheet: ば-form + いいですか

Formula: Question Word + Verb (ば-form) + いいですか

Meaning: What / Where / When / How / Who should I [Verb]?

Core Phrase: どう すれば いいですか (What should I do?)

Conjugation Examples:

- かう → かえばいいですか
- いきます → いけばいいですか
- します → すればいいですか

Pro-Tip: ~たら いいですか (tara ii desu ka) has the exact same meaning and is equally common in spoken Japanese!