

木漏れ日

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Etymology

Compound of 木 (*ko*, “tree”, ancient combining form of modern 木 *ki*) + 漏れ (*more*, “leaking, coming through”, the 連用形 (*ren'yōkei*, “continuative or stem form”) of verb 漏れる *moreru*, “to leak, to come through”) + 日 (*hi*, “sun; sunlight”).^{[1][2]} The *hi* changes to *bi* as an instance of [rendaku](#) (連濁).

Kanji in this term		
木	漏	日
こ	も	ひ > び
<small>Grade: 1</small>	<small>Grade: S</small>	<small>Grade: 1</small>
kun'yomi		

Pronunciation

- (Tokyo) こもれび^[kòmóré˥bi] (Nakadaka – [3])^{[2][3]}
- (Tokyo) こもれび^[kòmórébí] (Heiban – [0])^[3]
- IPA^(key): [kɔ̃mɔ̃ɾɛ̃bi]

Alternative spellings

木漏日
木洩れ日
木洩日
木洩れ陽

Noun

こも び
木漏れ日 ・(komorebi)

- sunlight filtering through trees [quotations ▼]

Further reading

- 木漏れ日 on the Japanese Wikipedia.

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木漏れ日 (*komorebi*): sunlight streaming through the trees.

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