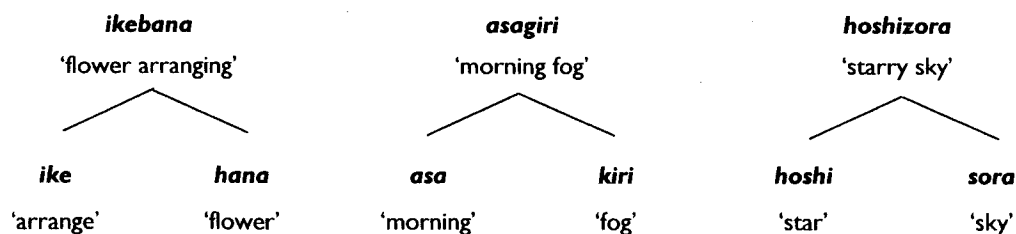


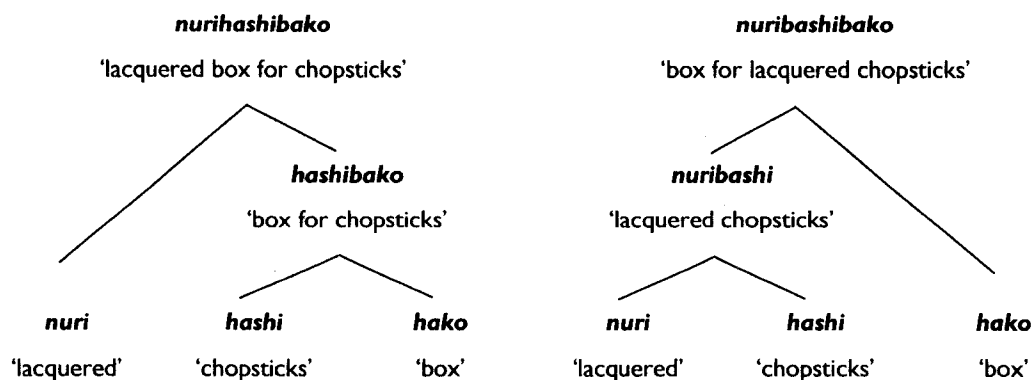


(14) Fakepapershelfmaker (1/2)***

In English, we can combine two nouns to get a compound noun, such as in 'mailbox' or 'sandcastle'. We can do this in Japanese as well, but just sticking the two words together isn't necessarily enough. Instead, the words themselves undergo predictable changes:



Compound words can then be compounded again, creating compounds with three or more members. Study the diagrams below carefully. You'll notice that the order in which the compound is built affects both the meaning and the final form of the word.



14.1. The following is a list of several Japanese words with their English meanings. Use this word bank to write definitions of the Japanese compounds (a)-(f). Be very specific with how you phrase your definition. If your definition is ambiguous (has two meanings), it will not be counted.

sakura	cherry blossom	kami	paper	nise	fake
shiru	soup	tana	shelf	tsukuri	maker
iro	color(ed)	tanuki	raccoon	hako	box

(a) nisetanukijiru	
(b) nisedanukijiru	
(c) irogamibako	
(d) irokamibako	
(e) nisezakuradana	
(f) nisesakuradana	

(14) Fakepapershelfmaker (2/2)

14.2. Match the following four-member Japanese compound words on the left with their English meanings on the right. (Some will require you to stretch your imagination a bit!) One of the Japanese words will correspond to two possible English meanings.

____ (1) a fake (fraudulent) shelf-maker made of paper	(A) <i>nisegamidanadzukuri</i>
____ (2) a maker of fake shelves for paper	(B) <i>nisekamitanadzukuri</i>
____ (3) a fake (fraudulent) maker of shelves for paper	(C) <i>nisegamitanadzukuri</i>
____ (4) a shelf-maker made of fake paper	(D) <i>nisekamidanadzukuri</i>
____ (5) a maker of shelves for fake paper	

14.3. Explain your answers.