# The Kodoasaur (こそあど)

これ・この・ここ・こっち and the rest of the family



| | こ NEAR ME | そ NEAR YOU | あ FAR FROM US BOTH | ど QUESTION |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| れ thing | これ<br>**kore**<br>*this one* | それ<br>**sore**<br>*that one (near you)* | あれ<br>**are**<br>*that one over there* | どれ<br>**dore**<br>*which one?* |
| の + noun | この<br>**kono**<br>*this ___* | その<br>**sono**<br>*that ___* | あの<br>**ano**<br>*that ___ over there* | どの<br>**dono**<br>*which ___?* |
| こ place | ここ<br>**koko**<br>*here* | そこ<br>**soko**<br>*there* | あそこ<br>**asoko**<br>*over there* | どこ<br>**doko**<br>*where?* |
| っち direction | こっち<br>**kocchi**<br>*this way* | そっち<br>**socchi**<br>*that way* | あっち<br>**acchi**<br>*that way over there* | どっち<br>**docchi**<br>*which way? which of two?* |

**これ vs この:** これ stands alone (これ は ペン です), この needs a noun after it (この ペン). **ここ vs こっち:** ここ is a place, こっち is a direction. **Watch out:** it's あそこ, not あこ, and the っち forms have a small っ. For extra politeness, use こちら・そちら・あちら・どちら.