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NOUN

YO-RO-I  
よろい

鎧  
Armor



The way to say "wear/put on armor" is 鎧を身に付ける (Yoroi o mi ni tsukeru).

*Bushi wa yoroi o mi ni tsuketa*  
武士は鎧を身につけた。  
The samurai put on his armor.

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T  
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NOUN

TA-TE  
たて

盾  
Shield



A good sturdy one of these will allow you to deflect the blows of enemy swords and barrages of arrows.

*Kare wa tate de jibun no mi wo kabatta*  
彼は盾で自分の身を庇った。  
He protected himself with a shield.


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NOUN

YA  
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矢  
Arrow



The way to say "shoot an arrow" is 矢を射る (ya o iru).

*Yuushuu na shashu ga kantan ni mato wo ita.*  
優秀な射手が簡単に的を射た。  
The skilled archer easily hit the target.

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NOUN

TA-I-HO-U  
たい ほう

大砲  
Cannon



Cannons were used widely in Japan from the 16th century.

*Karera wa taihou o teki no fune ni muketa.*  
彼らは大砲を敵の船に向けた。  
They aimed the cannons at the enemy's ship.

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J  
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NOUN

JU-U  
じゅう

銃  
Rifle, gun



This refers to a bigger gun than a pistol or handgun, and typically has a longer barrel.

*Keisatsu wa hannin ni juu o muketa.*  
警察は犯人に銃を向けた。  
The police aimed their rifles at the criminal.

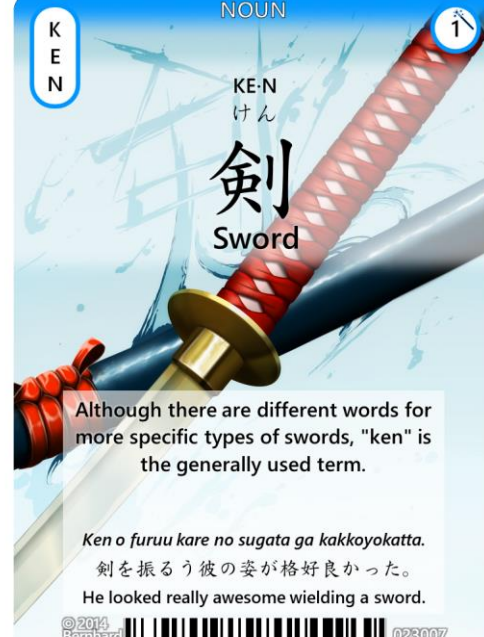
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K  
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NOUN

KE-N  
けん

剣  
Sword



Although there are different words for more specific types of swords, "ken" is the generally used term.

*Ken o furuu kare no sugata ga kakkoyokatta.*  
剣を振るう彼の姿が格好良かった。  
He looked really awesome wielding a sword.

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SE-N-SHI  
せん し

戦士  
Warrior, soldier

NOUN 1

The characters indicate a person who engages in war.

*Senshi wa teki ga kuru no wo machikamaeta.*  
戦士は敵が来るのを待ち構えた。  
The warriors lay in wait for the enemy to come.

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TA-TA-KA-U  
たたか

戦う  
To fight


GODAN VERB 2

The object that one is fighting with is marked by particle と (Ex. *Nanninmo no ninja to tatakau*-To fight multiple ninjas).

*Jiyuu no tame ni tatakau gunjin o hokori ni omou.*  
自由のために戦う軍人を誇りに思う。  
I'm proud of soldiers who fight for freedom.

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NA-GA-I  
なが

長い  
Long


ADJECTIVE 1

Just like in English, the Japanese word for "long" can refer to both a span of time and physical length.

*Nagai sensou wa teki kara no bakugeki de owatta.*  
長い戦争は敵からの爆撃で終わった。  
The bombing at the hands of the enemy ended the drawn-out war.

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JO-U-BU  
じょうぶ

丈夫  
Durable, solid, strong

ADJECTIVAL NOUN 1

If something is "joubu", it's built to last, and won't wear down or break easily. This is definitely an essential quality for shields/armor taken into battle!

*Ichiban joubu na tate ga chitan de dekiteiru.*  
一番丈夫な盾がチタンでできている。  
The most durable shields are made from titanium.

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