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## Background

The **TextEncoder()** in js does [not support Shift\\_JIS](#), which means you may need to find some alternative ways to turn UTF-8 Japanese/Kana character into Shift\_JIS encoding format for further handling in your use-case (such as FeliCa chip personalisation).

To verify whether a pair of hex values is in SJIS format - use this [site](#)[1] or this [site](#)[2].

## Know more about Japanese Character Set

See this [presentation](#) by MySQL.

## Half-width Katakana in UTF-8

In Unicode, half-width katakana, which is called as hankaku (半角), is represented from positio U+FF61 to U+FF9F.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F			
FF 60		□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□			
FF 70	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□			
FF 80	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□			
FF 90	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□	□			

Read this [article to learn more](#).

## Existing library

- [encoding.js](#)

## If you cannot use external library for any reason

- Implement yourself - use mapping, you can take reference to this [script](#) [2]
- [JIS X 0213 Table](#)

## References

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