

Leaving from Hiroshima Station – Shinkansen side

- Take the escalator up and then head toward the gates and give tickets to officer.
- Once on the other side of gate, there is a sign that says “for Okayama, Shin-Osaka 13*14”. Check board to see what track your train is on - it'll switch between English & Japanese (see photo below).



- The car numbers are the white signs posted on the poles (right photo). You only have a **few** minutes to board the train so jump on if you find out you're at the wrong car! Also remember that your train gets to the station about 1 minute before it leaves. So don't get on the wrong train if you get to the platform early.



Arriving in Shin-Osaka

- Exit the train and take the escalator/stairs down.
- Walk straight ahead following the white “JR Lines” signs. Give your tickets to officer at gate **as you are exiting the Shinkansen side and entering the JR side** (right photo). Or you may stick them all in the gate machine and go through. Your tickets will pop up on the other side of the gate and you'll only have two.
- Once on the other side, there is another board where it'll tell you what platform to go to (should be platform #11). Remember the train times are not posted early (approx. 10 minutes in advance) so you may wait for this. There is an escalator that takes you down to the platform.
- Find your car number on blue sign located across the tracks (last photo on the right).



Arriving at Airport

- Exit train and head up the escalator
- Head to the exit gate and give tickets to officer or you may stick them all in the gate machine and go through (machine keeps all tickets).
- Once outside the gate, notice the ticket office across from you enclosed in glass as that's where you'll be buying your return train tickets (right photo). Turn left and you'll see signs for all airlines. Right now you're on the second floor and all international flights are on the 4th floor. Luggage pick-up is also on the fourth floor on the far right side.



- After checking into Northwest, you have to buy airport departure tax, 2650 yen before exiting through security (right photo). After that you will take escalator down and go through customs (there is a form for you to fill out here but check your passport as it may already be stapled there). Then you will take an airport shuttle train to your gate. Once at the gate, there is not much to eat or shop in. So...

Do most of your looking around before buying your departure tax and exiting through security. There are lots of shops and restaurants on the second floor.

