

Genba

Actual Place

現場

Best known in the phrase "Gemba Walk", which means to **go where the work is done** and observe. This is not just a management activity.

Kaizen

Incremental Change

Kanban strives for this kind of small, continuous improvement.

改善

Kaikaku

Radical Change

Introducing Scrum is one example for a sudden, disruptive improvement initiative.

改革

現地現物

Genchi Genbutsu

Actual Place, Actual Thing

Often translated as "**go and see**". It means to gather facts and consensus for goal achievement at best speed (not necessarily the fastest).

Hansei

Self Reflection

Contains 2 parts: Recognizing the mistake yourself & pledge improvement

ポカヨケ

Poka Yoke Mistakeproof

Japanese variant of KISS



反省

Japanese Terms in Lean

Lean Manufacturing aka "The Toyota Way" is a Japanese invention and enriches our vocabulary

Muda
Wasteful Activity

無駄

Mura
Imbalance

斑

Muri
Overburden

無理

トヨ生方式 夕産式

