Foreign Language Training – Japanese (Beginner)

Overview

No prior knowledge of Japanese is required as the course is for complete beginners. Classes are delivered online or can be arranged for face-to-face if requested.

Course Objectives

The objective of this course is to acquire basic language skills and to achieve the equivalent of A1/A2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

By the end of the course, you will:

- be able to understand general and detailed information and to communicate in standard speech on a range of everyday issues
- be able to read printed and handwritten script on a limited number of everyday topics
- be able to write simple texts using descriptive language accurately
- have developed intercultural competence

How is the course taught?

- A communicative approach is used. All four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised, with the main emphasis on speaking.
- Students engage in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work based on systematic grammatical progression.
- Students will also be offered guidance in self-study and set homework tasks.

Course Content

Topics

Greetings and introduction
Personal information
Family and friends
Numbers
Time
Shopping
Japanese Currency
Daily activities
Invitations
Food and drink
Days, week, months, and years
Japanese houses

Japanese holidays
Socialising skills
Transport system
Education system in Japan
Sightseeing in Japan
Weekend plan
Food and leisure
Japanese traditional culture
Planning holidays
New Year’s celebration
Health and illness
Weather

Functions

Talking about oneself
Asking for phone numbers
Asking for and telling time
Asking for opening hours

Asking for prices
Talking about daily activities
Inviting someone
Accepting and declining an invitation
Ordering food / drinks
Locating people / objects
Talking about events
Expressing likes and dislikes
Making suggestions
Making requests
Asking for permissions
Giving and explaining reasons
Offering assistance
Describing ongoing actions

Delivering informal speech
Expressing own opinions
Comparisons
Expressing the change of the situation
Expressing one’s wishes
Talking about past wishes
Expressing obligation
Describing past experiences
Expressing medical symptoms
Expressing prediction/making a guess

Grammar
X ‘WA’ Y ‘DESU’
Noun + ‘DESU’, ～ ‘JANAI DESU’.
Basic particles, e.g. ‘WA’, ‘MO’, ‘NO’, ‘KA’, ‘KARA’, ‘MADE’
Demonstrative pronouns ‘(KO/SO/A/DO)’
words
Interrogative pronouns, e.g. ‘NAN’, ‘DARE’, ‘DOKO’
Present and past tense of verbs
Particles, e.g. ‘O’, ‘DE’, ‘NI’, ‘E’
- ‘MASEN KA’
- ‘ARIMASU, IMASU’
Present and past tense of adjectives
- ‘MASHOO’ / ‘MASHOO KA’
TE-form of verbs
- ‘TE KUDASAI’
- ‘TEMO IIIDESU’
- ‘TEWA IKEMASEN’
Describing two activities using te-form
Counter ‘MAI’
- ‘TE IMASU’.
- ‘NI IKIMASU. / - NI KIMASU. / - NI KAERIMASU.
Present short: Dictionary-form of verbs

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TO OMOIMASU.
TO ITTE IMASHITA.
NOGA SUKI DESU.
Past short: Nai-form of verbs
- DE KUDASAI.
Counter; HITOTSU, FUTATU
Past short: Past Plain-form of verbs
Qualifying Nouns
- NO HOO GA/ ICHI BAN
Particle ‘KARA’
Adjective/Noun NO
— TSUMORI DESU.
Present short: Nai-form of verbs
Adjective adverbial usage + NARU
Counter; HITOTSU, FUTATSU
— TAI DESU.
— TARI, — TARI SHIMASU.
— KOTO GA ARIMASU.
— KOTO GA DEKIMASU.
— SUGIRU
Conjunctive Particle ‘NODE’
— N DESU.
— NAKEReba IKEMASEN.
— DESHOO.

Course details

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