

JF Japanese Language Course

at The Nippon Club CULTURE COURSES

Class Contents – Spring 2017

- Class Title:** A1(3) Introductory Japanese
Instructor: Ruri HIRSCH
Hours: Wednesdays, 4/19 – 6/28, 6:00pm – 7:30pm (10 lessons/15 hrs. total)
Goal: Upon successful completion of this class, you will be able to:
- talk about such topics as events, holidays, shopping, transportation, etc.
 - read short, simple phrases and sentences such as an event calendar, a shopping list, blogs about weekend activities, etc.
 - write short, simple phrases and sentences about your weekend activities, etc.
 - read and understand approximately 30 basic *kanji* characters and related words such as simple verbs and adjectives

| Week | Topic/Context | Words/Expressions | Grammar | Can-do |
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| 4/19 (Wed) | Holidays and Days off 1-1 | Words related to events | -Place で event が あります -Inviting someone using V-ませんか -ましょう | -Recognize information on posters and calendars for events -Say whether or not you will attend an event -Talk about whether or not you can go out with your friend |
| 4/26 (Wed) | Holidays and Days off 1-2 | Words related to events | -Place で event があります -Inviting someone using -V-ませんか -ましょう | -Invite someone to an event/respond to an invitation -Read a simple email describing events |
| 5/3 (Wed) | Towns 1 | Maps Transportation | -place + から、まで -means + で -Giving advice: Noun が いいですよ -から | -Recognize station and taxi signs -Show a taxi driver a note and state your destination -Say how to get to a particular destination -Recommend a good way to get to a certain place |
| 5/10 (Wed) | No Class | | | |
| 5/17 (Wed) | Towns 2 | Adjectives to describe places Location words | -Adjective + Noun -Place に があります/あります -はーにいます/あります | -Describe what you have in your town -Locate people and buildings |
| 5/24 (Wed) | Midterm review | Review | | |
| 5/31 (Wed) | Shopping 1 | Fashion items Basic counters | -Noun が ほしいです -あげます、もらいます | -Talk about what you want to buy -Talk about what you gave or received as a gift -Read an email about what someone bought for whom |
| 6/7 (Wed) | Shopping 2 | Large numbers Expressions used for shopping | -は いくらですか -をください Demonstrative words これ、それ、あれ、 この、その、あの + noun | -Ask the prices of items -Ask a store attendant if they have other items |

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| 6/14 (Wed) | Holidays and days off 2-1 | Adjectives to express impressions | -Past tense of verbs and adjectives -でした -どこにも/なにも-ませんでした | -Say what you did on the weekend and make a brief comment about it -Read blogs about someone's weekend |
| 6/21 (Wed) | Holidays and days off 2-2 | Verbs to describe what you do during a trip Conjunction words | -V-たいです | -Describe your trip -Say where you want to visit/what you want to do next time -Read journals about a trip |
| 6/28 (Wed) | Review | Review | Review | -Interact on such topics as shopping, the weekend and a short trip -Make a speech about your trip |