

JF Japanese Language Course

at The Nippon Club CULTURE COURSES

Class Contents – Fall 2017

Class Title: A1(3) Introductory Japanese
Instructor: Yoko Sakurai
Hours: Wednesdays, 9/20 – 11/29, 7:40pm – 9:10pm (10 lessons/15 hrs. total)
Goals: 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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| 9/20 (Wed) | Holidays and Days off 1 | Words related to events | -Describing an event: Place で event があります -Inviting someone: V-ませんか/V-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 -Read a simple email describing events |
| 9/27 (Wed) | | | | |
| 10/4 (Wed) | Towns | -Maps -Transportation -Adjectives to describe -Places -Location words | -Describing how you get to a destination: place + から、まで means + で -Giving advice: Noun が いいですよ -Explaining a reason: ---から -Describing location: Place に います/あります | -Recognize station and taxi signs -Show a taxi driver a note and tell your destination -Say how to get to a particular destination -Recommend a good way to get to a certain place -Say how to get to a destination, using a map -Say where you are now over the phone |
| 10/11 (Wed) | | | | |
| 10/18 (Wed) | Shopping | -Fashion items -Basic counters -Large numbers -Expressions used for shopping | -Saying what one wants, gives and receives: Noun が ほしいです あげます、もらいます -Demonstrative words: これ、それ、あれ、 この、その、あの + noun | -Talk about what you want to buy and for whom -Talk about where to shop for something you want -Make a brief comment on things in a shop -Ask a store attendant about items you want |
| 10/25 (Wed) | | | | |
| 11/1 (Wed) | Holidays and days off 2 | -Adjectives to describe one's weekend -Verbs to describe what you do during a trip -Conjunction words | -Past tense of verbs and adjectives - Nowhere/Nothing: どこにも いきませんでした、 なにも しませんでした -Expressing what you want to do: V-たいです | -Read blogs about someone's weekend -Say what you did on the weekend and make a brief comment about it -Describe your trip briefly -Say where you want to visit/what you want to do next time -Read simple emails about a trip |
| 11/8 (Wed) | | | | |
| 11/15 (Wed) | | | | |
| 11/22 (Wed) | No Class - Thanksgiving holiday | | | |
| 11/29 (Wed) | Review | | | |