

JF Japanese Language Course

at The Nippon Club CULTURE COURSES

Class Content – Winter 2019

- Class Title:** A1(1) Introductory Japanese
Instructor: Yoko SAKURAI
Hours: Thursdays, 1/24 – 4/4, 18:00pm – 19:00pm (10 lessons/10 hrs. total)
Goal: Upon successful completion of this class, you will be able to:
- give greetings and use basic daily phrases
 - talk about where you are from, what you do, what food you like, etc. using basic phrases
 - read *hiragana* words

Week	Topic/Context	Words/Expressions	Grammar	Can-do
1/24 (Thu)	Introduction to Japanese language 1	Greetings		-Exchange greetings -Read <i>hiragana</i> (あいうえお、かきくけこ)
1/31 (Thu)	Introduction to Japanese language 2	Basic classroom expressions		-Understand basic instructions used in a classroom -Ask meaning of words, ask someone to speak slowly etc. -Read <i>hiragana</i> (さしすせそ、たちつと)
2/7 (Thu)	Classmates and myself 1	Ask/Tell names	Identification: The Copula “ <i>desu</i> ”	-Introduce yourself using simple terms -Read <i>hiragana</i> (なにぬねの、はひふへほ)
2/14 (Thu)	Classmates and myself 2	Countries and languages	Negative form of the copula: “ <i>janai desu</i> ”	-Talk about where you are from and languages you understand -Read <i>hiragana</i> (まみむめも、やゆよ、らりるれろ and glides)
2/21 (Thu)	Classmates and myself 3	Job occupation	Possession: The particle “ <i>no</i> ”	-Say what you do for your work -Read <i>hiragana</i> (わ、を、ん、 long vowels and double consonants)
2/28 (Thu)	Review: meeting someone for the first time	Information written on a business card	Asking questions: Interrogatives and the basic structure of Japanese verbs	-Greet with a business card -Read greeting expressions written in <i>hiragana</i>
3/7 (Thu)	Food and drink 1	Food and drink Likes and dislikes	-Expressing what you like: --- <i>ga sukidesu</i> -Conjoining nouns: The particle “ <i>to</i> ”	-Talk about what food you like -Read names of food and drink written in <i>hiragana</i>
3/14 (Thu)	Food and drink 2	Basic verbs	Indicating objects: The particle “ <i>o</i> ”	-Interact on a topic about your/someone’s breakfast
3/28 (Thu)	Food and drink 3	Adverbs related to frequency	Use of frequency adverbs “ <i>yoku</i> ” and “ <i>amari</i> ”	-Talk about what you frequently /infrequently eat or drink
4/4 (Thu)	Review			-Present a short speech about yourself -Interact on a topic about food