

# JF Japanese Language Course

## at The Nippon Club CULTURE COURSES

### Class Content – Winter 2019

**Class Title:** A1(2) Introductory Japanese  
**Instructor:** Ruri HIRSCH  
**Hours:** Thursdays, 1/24 – 3/28, 7:00pm – 8:30pm (10 lessons/15 hrs. total)  
**Goal:** Upon successful completion of this class, you will be able to:

- talk about such topics as yourself, family, food, residence, daily routine, schedule, hobbies, etc.
- read short, simple phrases and sentences such as someone’s self-introduction, schedule, invitation, restaurant menu, etc.
- write short, simple phrases and sentences about yourself, your family, residence, hobbies, etc.
- read and write *hiragana* and *katakana* words related to the topics
- recognize approximately 20 basic *kanji* characters and related words such as numbers and days of the week, etc.

| Week          | Topic/Context     | Words/Expressions  | Grammar  | Can-do  |
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| 1/24<br>(Thu) | Restaurants 1     | -Shops and restaurants<br>-Adjectives used to describe restaurants | -Indicating a place: The particle “ <i>de</i> ” + <i>V masu</i> - Adjectives   | -Talk with a friend about where to go for lunch<br>-Say what dish you like                                |
| 1/31<br>(Thu) | Restaurants 2     | -Counters  | -How to order at a restaurant - Negative form of adjectives  | -Read a menu<br>-Order food and drinks at a fast food restaurant  |
| 2/7<br>(Thu)  | Family and Home 1 | -Family terms (your own and others’) - Types of houses             | -Numerals and counters   | -Talk briefly about your family<br>-Say where you/your family live<br>-Say what kind of house you live in |
| 2/14<br>(Thu) | Family and Home 2 | -Furniture<br>-Electrical appliances                               | -Expressing existence: --- <i>ga arimasu</i>   | -Say what you have in your house - Write an E-mail inviting someone to your house                         |
| 2/21<br>(Thu) | Family and Home 3 | -Location words<br>-Expressions used when visiting someone         | -Locate things   | -Ask/say where to put things in the room<br>-Show someone around your house                               |
| 2/28<br>(Thu) | Daily Life 1      | -Daily activities<br>-Time   | -Expressing what time you do something: time+ <i>ni V masu</i>   | -Talk about your daily routine  |
| 3/7<br>(Thu)  | Daily Life 2      | -Schedule<br>-Week<br>-Day   | -Expressing when you do something: time expression + <i>ni/kara/made V masu</i> - Review of verb sentence structures | -Talk about your schedule for the week<br>-Talk about when to have a party                                |
| 3/14<br>(Thu) | Hobbies 1         | -Weekend activities  | -Use of frequency adverbs “ <i>yoku</i> ” “ <i>tokidoki</i> ” “ <i>amari</i> ” “ <i>zenzen</i> ”                     | -Talk about what you do on weekends   |

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| 3/21<br>(Thu) | Hobbies 2 | Varieties of movies,<br>books, music etc. | -Asking questions with the<br>interrogative word " <i>donna</i><br>(what type)"<br>-Review of negative form:<br><i>janaidesu, V-masen</i> | -Talk about your hobbies and what<br>you can/cannot do                                    |
| 3/28<br>(Thu) | Review    |   |   | Interact on such topics as<br>restaurants, homes, everyday life,<br>schedules and hobbies |