

JASV JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASS
Beginning Japanese - Level 1
Spring 2012

Time: Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Dates: February 14, 21, 28; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17 (10 classes)

Location: Saint Michael's College

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Textbook: *Japanese for Busy People I: Romanized Version*,
Revised 3rd Edition (includes CD), Association for
Japanese-Language Teaching, Kodansha International.

Recommended Supplemental Text:

Remembering the Kana, James Heisig, University of Hawaii Press.

1. Course Description

This class provides an introduction to speaking, listening, reading, and writing Japanese. Particular emphasis is placed on acquiring the conversational patterns that occur in everyday life. Students will also be introduced to life in Japan and Japanese customs and culture.

2. Requirements

- Regular attendance
- Class participation and quizzes
- Homework assignments, including textbook and online exercises, listening and hiragana practice

3. Level 1 Class Meetings and Topics - Tentative Schedule

Class	Topics	Grammar	Vocabulary
1	<p><i>MEETING PEOPLE</i></p> <p>Lessons 1&2, pp. 2-17</p> <p>Introductions</p> <p>Exchanging Business Cards</p>	<p>[Noun1] <i>wa</i> [noun2] <i>desu./ desuka?/ dewa arimasen.</i></p>	<p>Nationalities</p> <p>Occupations</p> <p>Numbers 0-10</p>
2	<p><i>SHOPPING, PART I</i></p> <p>Lessons 3&4, pp. 21-36</p> <p>Asking about Business Hours</p>	<p>Pronouns</p> <p>Noun modifiers</p>	<p>Services</p> <p>Activities</p> <p>Numbers 10-100</p> <p>Time</p> <p>Electrical appliances</p>
3	<p><i>SHOPPING, PART II</i></p> <p>Lesson 5, pp. 37-45</p> <p>Asking about Prices and Numbers</p>	<p>Pronouns</p> <p>Noun modifiers</p>	<p>Items for sale</p>
4	<p><i>GETTING AROUND</i></p> <p>Lessons 6&7, pp. 48-66</p> <p>Confirming Schedules</p> <p>Visiting Another Company</p>	<p>[Noun] <i>wa</i> [place] <i>ni ikimasu./ ikimasen./ ikimashita.</i></p>	<p>Destinations</p> <p>Verbs</p> <p>Dates</p>
5	<p><i>A WEEKEND EXCURSION I</i></p> <p>Lesson 8, pp. 68-77</p> <p>Going to Nikko</p>	<p>[Place] <i>ni</i> [noun] <i>ga arimasu./ imasu.</i></p>	<p>Parts of a building</p> <p>Things in a hotel room</p> <p>Positions</p>

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6	<i>A WEEKEND EXCURSION II</i> Lesson 9, pp. 78-86 Looking for a Parking Lot	[Noun] <i>wa</i> [place] <i>ni arimasu./</i> <i>imasu./</i> <i>arimasuka?</i>	Things near a train station Office supplies Number of people
7	<i>DINING OUT I</i> Lesson 10, pp. 88-96 Making Plans for the Weekend	[Person] <i>wa</i> [noun] <i>o</i> [verb]. [Person1] <i>wa</i> [person2] <i>ni</i> [verb].	Food Verbs Time expressions
8	<i>DINING OUT II</i> Lesson 11, pp. 97-108 At a Tempura Restaurant	[Person1] <i>wa</i> [person2]/[place] <i>ni</i> [noun] <i>o</i> [verb].	Verbs Family
9	<i>VISITING A JAPANESE HOME I</i> Lesson 12, pp. 110-121 Receiving Hospitality	Adjective + noun [Noun] <i>wa</i> [adjective] <i>desu.</i>	- <i>i</i> adjectives - <i>na</i> adjectives
10	<i>VISITING A JAPANESE HOME II</i> Lesson 13, pp. 122-130 Giving Compliments	[Person1] <i>wa</i> [person2] <i>ni</i> [noun] <i>o agemasu.</i> [Person1] <i>wa</i> [person2] <i>ni</i> [noun] <i>o moraimasu.</i>	Verbs Gifts