

JF Japanese Language Course

at The Nippon Club CULTURE COURSES

Class Contents – Spring 2019

Class Title: B1-2 Intermediate Japanese Topic G

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Hours: Fridays, 4 / 19 – 6 / 28, 6:30pm – 8:30pm (10 lessons/20 hrs. total)

Goal: Upon successful completion of this class, you will be able to:

- read and understand a variety of essays concerning cross-cultural experiences in which the writers adopt particular stances/viewpoints
- sustain a reasonably fluent straightforward description on a variety of subjects within your field of interest
- express your opinion in a discussion with friends/colleagues by providing somewhat detailed explanations and reasons

| Week | Topic/Context | Words/Expressions | Grammar | Can-do |
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| 4/19 (Fri) | Sharing cross-cultural experiences | -Words and expressions related to cross-cultural experiences -Expressions used in discussion | - Plain form はずがない - ~というのは Plain form ものだ - Adj.+そうにする | -Describe to a friend, in some detail, about events relating to intercultural experiences. -Identify main conclusions in clearly signaled argumentative texts. -Recognize significant points in straightforward articles on familiar subjects. |
| 4/26 (Fri) | | | | |
| 5/3 (Fri) | | | | |
| 5/10 (Fri) | | | | |
| | No class | | | |
| 5/17 (Fri) | Expressing what you want in different cultures | - Words related to expressing desire - Words related to making decisions | - Causative-passive form - V-dict. たびに - concessive clause: ~ながら、~つつ | -Read and understand description of events, feelings and wishes in an article on a website. -Express an opinion, giving simple explanations and reasons. |
| 5/24 (Fri) | | | | |
| 5/31 (Fri) | | | | |
| 6/7 (Fri) | Japanese people and religion | - Words and expressions used when speaking about religion - Words and expressions used when explaining a result of a questionnaire | - Hypothesizing: V-たとする - Plain form わけだ | -Listen to a presentation concerning Japanese people and religion and understand the main points. -Read and understand an essay about an intercultural experience in which the writer adopts particular viewpoints. |
| 6/14 (Fri) | | | | |
| 6/21 (Fri) | | | | |
| 6/28 (Fri) | Review and discussion | | | |