

# Toyota Language Center

## 2010 SPRING JAPANESE COURSES

**JAPANESE 1-A** (for beginning students, meets *twice* a week, covers levels 1 & 2) Instructor: *Noguchi*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 6:10-8:00 pm (37 hours)

Basic vocabulary, elementary conversation and simple sentence structure will be taught in *Romaji* (Japanese written phonetically in the Roman alphabet). *Hiragana* and *Katakana* (both Japanese syllabaries) will be introduced.

**Text:** *JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE*, Vol. I

**JAPANESE 1-B** (for beginning students, meets *twice* a week, covers levels 1 & 2) Instructor: *Akai*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1/26-4/1, 6:10-8:00 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 1-A)

**JAPANESE 1-C** (for beginning students, meets *twice* a week, covers levels 1 & 2) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 12:00-1:50 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 1-A)

**JAPANESE 1-D** (for beginning students, meets *twice* a week, covers levels 1 & 2) Instructor: *Hama*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1/26-4/1, 4:00-5:50 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 1-A)

**JAPANESE 2-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 1 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Thursdays, 1/28-4/1, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Students must recognize *Hiragana*.

**Text:** *JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE*, Vol. I (from lesson 8).

**JAPANESE 2-B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 1 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 4:00-5:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for 2-A)

**JAPANESE 3-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 2 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Mondays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Must read *Hiragana* and *Katakana* comfortably. This course will focus on the introduction and use of the “te” and “nai” forms of the verb, as well as continue with the building of conversation skills and vocabulary.

**Text:** *JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE*, Vol. I (from lesson 17).

**JAPANESE 3-B** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 3 & 4) Instructor: *Kamimura*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1/26-4/1, 6:10-8:00 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 3-A and 4-A)

**JAPANESE 3-C** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 3 & 4) Instructor: *Hama*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1/26-4/1, 12:00-1:50 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 3-A and 4-A)

**JAPANESE 3-D** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 3 & 4) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 4:00-5:50 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 3-A and 4-A)

**JAPANESE 4-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 3 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Basic kanji will be introduced. Along with conversation and additional grammatical points, students will learn the “plain form” of the verb and the use of noun-modifying clauses.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. II, first half.

**JAPANESE 4-B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 3 or equivalent) Instructor: *Nakazawa*

Tuesdays, 1/26-3/30, 12:00-1:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for 4-A)

**JAPANESE 5-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 4 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Among other things, students will learn comparative and conditional expressions.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. II, second half.

**JAPANESE 5-B** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 5 & 6) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 6:10-8:00 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 5-A and 6-A)

**JAPANESE 5-C** (Prerequisite: Japanese 4 or equivalent) Instructor: *Akai*

Mondays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 12:00-1:50pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for 5-A)

**JAPANESE 5-D** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 5 & 6) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1/26-4/1, 4:00-5:50 pm (37 hours)

(See description for 5-A and 6-A)

**JAPANESE 6-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 5 or equivalent) Instructor: *Akai*

Wednesdays, 1/27-3/31, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Students will learn how to use various modifying clauses to create complex sentences. Recognition of 100 kanji is expected.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. III, first half.

**JAPANESE 6-B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 5 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Mondays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 4:00-5:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for 6-A)

**JAPANESE 7-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 6 or equivalent) Instructor: *Akai*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Students will develop various interactive communication skills, including the use of basic honorific expressions.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. III, second half.

**JAPANESE 7-B** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 7 & 8) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Mondays & Thursdays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 12:00-1:50pm (37 hours)

(See descriptions for 7-A and 8-A)

**JAPANESE 7-C** (Prerequisite: Japanese 6 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Wednesdays, 1/27-3/31, 4:00-5:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See descriptions for 7-A)

**JAPANESE 8-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 7 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Mondays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Grammatical points, such as potential, passive, and the use of honorific expressions, will be the focus of this course.

Recognition of 200 kanji is expected.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. IV, first half.

**JAPANESE 8-B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 7 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 12:00-1:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See descriptions for 8-A)

**JAPANESE 9-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 8 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Tuesdays, 1/26-3/30, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Students will continue to learn essential grammatical patterns, including causative expressions, to help achieve effective communication skills. Recognition of 250 kanji is expected. Enrollment in Kanji I course is recommended.

**Text:** *LEARN JAPANESE New College Text*, Vol. IV, second half.

**JAPANESE 9-B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 8 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 4:00-5:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See descriptions for 9-A)

**PLEASE NOTE: Classes higher on next page are designed to be taken repeatedly.**

**New students - please come to the Japan Society before you register and look at the course material for various courses to decide which course to take.**

**Continuing students and former students - please ask your teacher for advice as to which course you should take next. You are also encouraged to look at the course material for any course you are considering.**

**INTERMEDIATE SPEAKING & LISTENING A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*  
Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Designed for those who have mastered basic grammar and sentence patterns. Development of speaking and listening skills will be the focal point of classes at the Intermediate Level. Enrollment in the Kanji I course is recommended.

**INTERMEDIATE SPEAKING & LISTENING B** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*  
Wednesdays, 1/27-3/31, 12:00-1:50pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for Intermediate Speaking & Listening A)

**JAPANESE IN ANIME A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Noguchi*  
Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

This new class is at the same level as Intermediate Speaking and Listening. Anime and manga will be used as windows into the culture of Japan. The first half of the class will be spent studying some works. The second half will be discussion and conversation practice using the expressions learned in the first half.

**JAPANESE 10-A** (Prerequisite: Int. Speaking & Listening or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*  
Wednesdays, 1/27-3/31, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Reading materials include short newspaper articles and stories. Listening comprehension is improved by the use of television programs and audio tapes. Speaking is emphasized through discussion, role-playing, and short, informal speeches. Writing is also encouraged. Recognition of 350 kanji is expected. Enrollment in Kanji courses is recommended.

**JAPANESE 10-B** (Prerequisite: Int. Speaking & Listening or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*  
Fridays, 1/29-4/2, 12:00-1:50 pm (18.5 hours)

(See description for 10-A)

**JAPANESE 11-A** (Prerequisite: Japanese 10 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*  
Tuesdays, 1/26-3/30, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Television programs, short stories and current events from Japanese newspapers and magazines will be discussed. Students will be asked to express their opinions on wide ranging subjects. Recognition of 500 kanji is expected. Enrollment in Kanji courses is highly recommended.

**JAPANESE 12-A** (Prerequisite: At least five years background in Japanese) Instructor: *Aizawa*  
Thursdays, 1/28-4/1, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Current events from Japanese newspapers and magazines, as well as novels, TV news and movies, will be used to help build up useful expressions and idioms. Discussion and short speeches will be encouraged to promote oral communication. Students should be able to recognize at least 800 kanji. Enrollment in Kanji courses is highly recommended.

**KANJI I** (Prerequisite: Japanese 8 or higher) Instructor: *Hama*  
Wednesdays, 1/27-3/31, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

This course is for students who want to master the essential kanji taught in Japan's elementary schools. Students are expected to learn the "300-level" kanji, the focus of study being on the understanding of the basic radical systems. The class is conducted almost entirely in Japanese. **Text:** *Basic Kanji Book I*.

**KANJI II** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or Kanji I) Instructor: *Miyashita*  
Thursdays, 1/28-4/1, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

This course is for students who have already mastered approximately 300 kanji. Students are expected to learn the "600 level" kanji, which are introduced by the first year of Japanese junior high school. The class is conducted in Japanese. **Text:** *Basic Kanji Book II*.

**KANJI III** (Prerequisite: Japanese 11 or Kanji II) Instructor: *Inkyo*  
Mondays, 1/25-4/5 (no class 2/15), 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

Students are expected to master the "1,500-level" kanji necessary to read Japanese newspapers, focusing on the key kanji introduced mainly in the second and third years of Japanese junior high school. The class is conducted in Japanese. **Text:** *Intermediate Kanji Book I 漢字 1000 Plus*.

**経済・ビジネス: Advanced Reading & Speaking I** (Prerequisite: Level 12 or higher) Instructor: *Miyashita*  
Tuesdays, 1/26-3/30, 6:10-8:00 pm (18.5 hours)

This special class is for advanced students who have an interest in Japanese business, economics, and society. This class will also cover the cultural aspects of business. Students will read and discuss the latest articles from the *Nihon Keizai Shimbun* (Nikkei), *Newsweek* and *Forbes* (Japanese editions). In addition, NHK business news and drama videos will be used. Students should be familiar with the "1,200-level" kanji.

## REGISTRATION

**Important note: We strongly recommend that you register early to ensure enrollment in your first choice of class.**

1. Registration deadline: 12 pm, Friday, January 22, 2010. Acceptance will be acknowledged by phone or letter.
2. Tuition: Japan Society members: \$230\* (18.5 hours of instruction) \$400\* (37 hours of instruction)  
Non-members: \$260 (18.5 hours of instruction) \$450 (37 hours of instruction)
3. **Tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable for any reason after 12 pm, Friday, January 22, 2010.**  
Refunds are subject to a \$20 service charge. No partial registration or auditing is permitted.  
Please note that cancellations are accepted by phone or in person only. Cancellations via e-mail *are not* accepted.
4. The Society reserves the right to cancel any course if sufficient enrollment is not obtained.  
In such cases, those students already enrolled will receive full refunds.
5. Textbooks are available at the Japan Society and are offered to students at special prices. (Price includes NY State Sales Tax)

<i>JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE</i> , Vol. I ( <b>Revised 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition; Romanized</b> )	published by Kodansha International	\$25.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. II	published by University of Hawaii	\$18.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. III	published by University of Hawaii	\$19.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. IV	published by University of Hawaii	\$20.00
<i>BASIC KANJI BOOK I</i>	published by Bonjinsha	\$35.00
<i>BASIC KANJI BOOK II</i>	published by Bonjinsha	\$38.00
<i>INTERMEDIATE KANJI BOOK I 漢字 1000 Plus</i>	published by Bonjinsha	\$40.00
6. New students of the Toyota Language Center: Students with no previous background in Japanese should enroll in a Level 1 course. Students with some background should refer to the course textbooks to determine the most appropriate class for your needs. These textbooks are available for review and purchase at the Toyota Language Center. There is no placement exam.
7. For more information or to register, please call (212) 715-1256 or (212) 715-1293, or fax (212) 715-1279.

**Instructors:** *All of the Society's instructors are native Japanese with extensive experience.*

**Ms. Yuko Aizawa** has taught at the Sendagaya Japanese Institute in Tokyo, Japan and at the Royal Hawaiian Academy in the United States. She has been an instructor at the Toyota Language Center since 1994.

**Ms. Reiko Akai** has a Bachelor's Degree in Linguistics, and has worked in the private sector in Japan. She has taught Japanese in Japan, and has been a private tutor of Japanese in the United States for five years.

**Ms. Keiko Hama** has taught Japanese in Germany and the US for over ten years. She received her Master's Degree in Japanese Sociology and Linguistics at the University of Heidelberg. Since then, she has been an interpreter, translator and Japanese teacher in the private and public sectors.

**Ms. Masako Inkyo** has a university degree in Japanese Calligraphy and a license to teach literature in Middle and High School. She is a member of the three largest *shodō* professional associations in Japan. She has received many awards, including first prizes in both *shodō* and pen calligraphy and kanji in national competitions sponsored by the Ministry of Education.

**Ms. Tomoyo Kamimura** holds Bachelor's degree from Waseda University, MA in Linguistics from the University of Oregon and an MBA from Columbia University. She has been teaching Japanese at colleges and universities both in the US and Japan for over ten years. Currently she serves as Fulltime Faculty member at The New School's Foreign Language Department.

**Ms. Mami Miyashita** earned a Japanese Teaching License in Japan, a certificate of Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language from Ohio State University and a Master's Degree from West Chester University. She has been involved with foreign language education for more than nineteen years, most recently at the University of Delaware from 1999 to 2005.

**Ms. Kazuko Nakazawa** has a Bachelor of Arts in Japanese Literature. She has taught Japanese privately and in an after-school program in Japan for three years, and privately in the United States for two years.

**Ms. Hiromi Noguchi** has a Master's Degree in Teaching a Foreign Language, Japanese, from the Monterey Institute of International Studies in California, and is seeking a Doctor's degree in Applied Linguistics from the Teacher's College, Columbia University. She has taught Japanese at Columbia and at the Monterey Institute of International Studies.