

# Toyota Language Center

## 2014 SPRING JAPANESE COURSES

**JAPANESE 1-A** (for beginning students, meets *once* a week, covers level 1) Instructor: **Akai**

Thursdays, 2/6 – 4/10, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Basic vocabulary, elementary conversation and simple sentence structure will be taught in *Romaji* (Japanese written phonetically in the Roman alphabet). *Hiragana* (a Japanese syllabary) 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: **Miyashita**

Mondays & Wednesdays, 2/3 – 4/14 (no class 2/17), 6:10-8:00 pm (20 lessons)

(See description for 1-A and 2-A)

**JAPANESE 1-C** (for beginning students, meets *once* a week, covers level 1) Instructor: **Nakanishi**

Fridays, 2/7 – 4/11, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 1-A)

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

Mondays & Wednesdays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 4:00-5:50 pm (20 lessons)

(See description for 1-A and 2-A)

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

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Students must recognize *Hiragana*.

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

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

Thursdays, 2/6 - 4/10, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 2-A)

**JAPANESE 2-C** (Prerequisite: Japanese 1 or equivalent) Instructor: **Nakanishi**

Thursdays, 2/6 - 4/10, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 2-A)

**JAPANESE 2/3-D: Conversation** (Prerequisite: Japanese 1 or 2 or equivalent) Instructor: **Akai**

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 4:00-5:50 pm (10 lessons)

This course may be taken concurrently with Japanese Level 2 or Level 3. The class will focus on situational conversation, such as will be useful in daily life.

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

Mondays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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: **Akai**

Mondays & Wednesdays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 6:10-8:00 pm (20 lessons)

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

**JAPANESE 3-C** (Prerequisite: Japanese 2 or equivalent) Instructor: **Kurahara**

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 3-A)

**JAPANESE 3-D** (Prerequisite: Japanese 2 or equivalent) Instructor: **Miyashita**

Mondays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 3-A)

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

Thursdays, 2/6 - 4/10, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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: *Omori*

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 4:00-5:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 4-A)

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

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

The “ta” form will be introduced, and 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: *Akai*

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2/4 - 4/10, 12:00-1:50 pm (20 lessons)

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

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

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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: *Hama*

Wednesdays, 2/5 - 4/9, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 6-A)

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

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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: *Nakazawa*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 6:10-8:00 pm (20 lessons)

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

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

Mondays & Thursdays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 12:00-1:50 pm (20 lessons)

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

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

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

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** (meets *twice* a week, covers levels 9 & 10) Instructor: *Akai*

Mondays & Wednesdays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 12:00-1:50 pm (20 lessons)

(See descriptions for 9-A and 10-B)

**JAPANESE 9-C** (Prerequisite: Japanese 8 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Wednesdays, 2/5 - 4/9, 4:00-5:50 pm (10 lessons)

(See description for 9-A)

-----PLEASE NOTE: Courses above Level 9 are designed to be taken repeatedly.-----

**!!NEW!!**

*Also: Intermediate Level has been renamed Level 10; former Levels 10, 11, & 12 have been renamed Levels 11, 12, & 13, respectively. There are a few new additions as well. Please carefully review the descriptions of the levels of interest to you.*

**JAPANESE 10-A: Speaking + Listening** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Designed for those who have mastered essential 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.

**JAPANESE 10-B: Conversation** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Akai*

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Grammar from previous levels will be reviewed. The main focus of the course will be conversation.

**JAPANESE 10-C: Speaking + Listening** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Wednesdays, 2/5 - 4/9, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

*(See description for Japanese 10-A: Speaking + Listening)*

**JAPANESE 10-D: Karaoke** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or equivalent) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Mondays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 4:00 - 5:50 pm (10 lessons)

Each student will bring a song to every class. The grammar and vocabulary of the songs will be discussed; then the class will enjoy singing. This practice will lead to a deeper understanding of the songs' meanings.

**JAPANESE 11-A: Current Social Issues + Entertainment** (Prerequisite: Japanese 10 or equivalent) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Wednesdays, 2/5 - 4/9, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Students will use real-life sources, somewhat modified, to begin building up a knowledge of current written and spoken Japanese. Vocabulary and common expressions will be emphasized. Students will begin to learn and discuss Japanese culture at a deeper level. Recognition of 500 kanji is expected. Enrollment in Kanji courses is recommended.

**JAPANESE 11-B: Current Social Issues + Entertainment** (Prerequisite: Japanese 10 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

*(See description for 11-A)*

**JAPANESE 12-A: Contemporary Japanese Novels** (Prerequisite: Japanese 11 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hamada*

Wednesdays, 2/5 - 4/9, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

A single-book club, with an emphasis on reading and discussion using a popular Japanese novel. Comprehension of the storyline, culture, lifestyles and characters will be supplemented through watching the DVD version.

**JAPANESE 12-B: Current Social Issues + Entertainment** (Prerequisite: Japanese 11 or equivalent) Instructor: *Hama*

Tuesdays, 2/4 - 4/8, 12:00-1:50 pm (10 lessons)

A continuation of Level 11. Sources will not be modified. Practice and discussion will center on assigned reading and various audio/visual sources. Recognition of 800 kanji is expected; Kanji II or III recommended.

**JAPANESE 13-A: Current Social Issues + Entertainment** (Prerequisite: At least five years Japanese) Instructor: *Aizawa*

Thursdays, 2/6 - 4/10, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

The highest level for conversation and reading. There will be extended discussions about current events from TV programs and articles to build up useful advanced vocabularies for oral communication. Movies and dramas will be used to learn current expressions and idioms. Students should recognize at least 1200 kanji; Kanji III highly recommended.

**KANJI I** (Prerequisite: Japanese 8 or higher) Instructor: *Hama*

Thursdays, 2/6 - 4/10, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

This course is for students who want to master the essential kanji taught in Japan's elementary schools. Students are expected to learn approximately 300 kanji, with a focus of study on understanding the basic radical systems.

This course is conducted almost entirely in Japanese. **Text:** *Basic Kanji Book, Vol. 1*

**KANJI II** (Prerequisite: Japanese 9 or Kanji I) Instructor: *Miyashita*

Fridays, 2/7 - 4/11, 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

This course is for students who have already mastered approximately 300 kanji. Students are expected to learn around 600 kanji, which are introduced by the first year of Japanese junior high school. The class is conducted in Japanese.

**Text:** *Basic Kanji Book, Vol. 2*

**KANJI III** (Prerequisite: Japanese 12 or Kanji II) Instructor: *Inkyo*

Mondays, 2/3 - 4/14 (no class 2/17), 6:10-8:00 pm (10 lessons)

Students are expected to master the 1,500 kanji necessary to read Japanese newspapers, focusing on the key kanji introduced mainly in the second and third years of Japanese junior high school. This course is conducted in Japanese.

**Text:** *Intermediate Kanji Book, Vol. 1, 漢字 1000 Plus*

## REGISTRATION

**Important Note: Classes fill up quickly! Please register early to ensure enrollment in your first choice of class.**

Registration opens Monday, December 16, 2013.

- Tuition: Japan Society members: \$260 (10 lessons) \$450 (20 lessons)  
Non-members: \$300 (10 lessons) \$500 (20 lessons)
- Tuition is non-refundable and non-transferable for any reason after 12 pm, Friday, January 31, 2014.**  
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.
- Japan Society reserves the right to cancel any course by Friday, January 31, 2014 if sufficient enrollment is not obtained.  
In such cases, those students already enrolled will receive full refunds.
- Textbooks are available at Japan Society and are offered to students at discounted prices. (Price includes NY State Sales Tax)  

<i>JAPANESE FOR BUSY PEOPLE</i> , Vol. I (Revised 3 <sup>rd</sup> Edition; Romanized or Kana)	published by Kodansha International	\$25.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. II	published by University of Hawaii	\$22.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. III	published by University of Hawaii	\$24.00
<i>LEARN JAPANESE New College Text</i> , Vol. IV	published by University of Hawaii	\$25.00
<i>BASIC KANJI BOOK</i> , Vol. 1	published by Bonjinsha	\$40.00
<i>BASIC KANJI BOOK</i> , Vol. 2	published by Bonjinsha	\$43.00
<i>INTERMEDIATE KANJI BOOK</i> , Vol. 1, I 漢字 1000 Plus	published by Bonjinsha	\$45.00
- New 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. These textbooks are available for review and purchase at the Toyota Language Center. There is no placement exam.
- For more information or to register, please call (212) 715-1256 or (212) 715-1293, or fax (212) 715-1279. Acceptance will be acknowledged by email, phone, or letter. You may also register online at [www.japansociety.org/language\\_center](http://www.japansociety.org/language_center).

**Instructors:** *All of Japan 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 from Kobe College. She has taught Japanese and English in Japan, and has been a private tutor of Japanese for five years in the United States. She has been an instructor at the Language Center since 2008.

**Ms. Keiko Hama** has taught Japanese in Germany and the United States 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. Tomoko Hamada-Dougan** has a bachelor's degree in History from Hosei University in Tokyo. She is a graduate of the Toyota Language Center's Japanese-Language Teacher Training Program, and since then has been teaching at Japan Society and other private institutes in the tri-state area.

**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 *shodō* and pen calligraphy and kanji in national competitions sponsored by the Ministry of Education.

**Ms. Tomoyo Kamimura** holds a BA from Waseda University, an MA in Linguistics from the University of Oregon and an MBA from Columbia University. She has been teaching Japanese at universities both in the US and Japan for over 15 years. Ms. Kamimura has numerous publications and has served as co-editor of Ohbunsha's Japanese -English Dictionary. Currently she is a full-time faculty member in The New School's Foreign Language Department.

**Ms. Kazue Kurahara** holds a bachelor's degree from Hunter College and an MA in Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language and TESOL from NYU. She holds teaching certificates in both Japanese and ESL. She has been teaching Japanese at universities and schools throughout New York to students of varying proficiency levels and backgrounds.

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

**Ms. Mami Nakanishi** has a bachelor's degree in Literature from Sophia University in Tokyo. She is a graduate of the Society's Teacher Training Program and has been on Japan Society's teaching staff since the summer of 2010.

**Ms. Kazuko Nakazawa** has a Bachelor of Arts in Japanese Literature. She is a graduate of the Society's Teacher Training Program. 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. She has been on Japan Society's teaching staff since the summer of 2010.

**Ms. Toshiko Omori** has an MA in TESOL from NYU. She has taught Japanese at the United Nations International School, NY and Phillips Exeter Academy, NH. She was a Post-Exam Evaluator in Eiken (English Proficiency Test recognized by the Ministry of Education) in Japan.

## 2014 SPRING JAPANESE COURSE REGISTRATION FORM

Please sign and complete this form (please PRINT or TYPE). Before completing, please read the information on the attached pages. *Payment for courses must accompany this form.* Payment may be made either by check (made payable to Japan Society) or by charge (major credit cards only). ***Please return form and payment to Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street, New York, NY 10017, Attention: Toyota Language Center.*** Or, if paying by credit card, you may also fax your registration form to (212) 715-1279 or call us at (212) 715-1256 or (212) 715-1293. **You may also register online at [www.japansociety.org/language\\_center](http://www.japansociety.org/language_center).**

Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ Company: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please note: Prices on the left indicate the cost of a single 10-lesson course. Prices on the right indicate the cost of either a single 20-lesson course or two 10-lesson courses.*

Membership status: Corporate member (name of firm): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$260 / \$450

Individual Membership number\*: \_\_\_\_\_ \$260 / \$450

Non-member: \_\_\_\$300 / \$500

\* If you are registering by mail, phone, or fax and wish to become a Japan Society Individual member, please let us know. We can register for both the membership and the language class at the same time. Membership may also be purchased online separately from your course registration.

I wish to enroll in: Japanese class \_\_\_\_\_ (first choice)

Japanese class \_\_\_\_\_ (second choice)

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Please charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my \_\_\_VISA \_\_\_MasterCard \_\_\_American Express.

Card Number

Expiration Date

Billing Zip Code

### Important Notice: Cancellation Policy

Tuition: Please note that there will be no refund or cancellation for tuition after **12 noon on Friday, January 31, 2014.** Refunds are subject to a \$20 service charge. No partial registration or auditing is permitted. Cancellations are accepted by phone or in person only. Cancellations via e-mail *are not* accepted.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_