

Japanese Language Course Outline

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At TIPS, we believe that learning Japanese involves not only acquiring language knowledge but also developing the confidence to express oneself in Japanese.

Our Japanese classes are designed to help students improve both their written and spoken Japanese, regardless of their previous experience or proficiency level. We encourage students to actively participate, challenge themselves, and view mistakes as valuable opportunities for learning.

Class Structure

Each Japanese class is divided into two sections:

1. Kanji Study (First Half)

Students focus on developing their writing skills through the study of Kanji.

Learning materials are provided according to each student's current proficiency level, allowing students to progress at a pace appropriate to their abilities.

Students practice recognizing, reading, and writing Kanji while gradually expanding their vocabulary.

2. Japanese Speaking Practice (Second Half)

Students focus on becoming comfortable and confident speaking Japanese in front of others.

Each month, the teacher introduces a topic, and students prepare a short response, usually consisting of two sentences. Students practice speaking on the same topic repeatedly throughout the month, gradually becoming more familiar and comfortable with expressing themselves in Japanese.

Through consistent repetition and practice, students develop confidence in speaking Japanese in front of their classmates. The emphasis is on encouraging students to speak without hesitation or fear of making mistakes.

Monthly Assessments

To monitor students' progress, both written and speaking tests are conducted every month.

Written Test: Evaluates students' knowledge of Kanji. Tests are adjusted according to each student's proficiency level.

Speaking Test: Evaluates students' ability to express themselves clearly and confidently in Japanese using the topic they have practiced throughout the month.

These assessments help students recognize their achievements, identify areas for improvement, and set goals for continued growth.

Class Rules

All TIPS school rules apply in this class, along with the following:

Students must come to class prepared with the necessary materials.

Students are expected to participate actively in both Kanji study and speaking activities.

Students must listen respectfully when others are speaking.

Students are encouraged to use Japanese as much as possible.

Cell phones and other electronic devices may only be used with the teacher's permission.

Grading

A+ 98-100 A 93-97 B+ 90-92 B 85-89 C+ 82-84 C 77-81 D+ 74-76 D 70-73 F 69 or BELOW