

[P1] Survival Japanese for Beginners (A)**[P2] Survival Japanese for Beginners (B)**

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Congratulations on getting into UTokyo! Your adventure is just around the corner. Why not get a head start with our exciting online Japanese language program?

In this condensed 5-day course, we emphasize oral communication, connecting you with various situations that will arise in your new life in Japan. If you have prior learning experience, please check your proficiency level on our website: <https://www.todai-ic-nihongo.com/center/LevelCheck/nihongo.html>

Note: This syllabus provides information on 'Survival Japanese for Beginners'.

Syllabus

1	Subject	[P1] Survival Japanese for Beginners (A) [P2] Survival Japanese for Beginners (B)
2	Field	Japanese Language
3	Key words	Zero beginner, Grammar, Communication, Daily use, Conversation
4	Unit	0.5
5	Lecturer	Center for Japanese Language Education
6	Period	June 30 (Mon.) - July 4 (Fri.), 2025
7	Time	[P1] 8:30-10:00 (Japan Standard Time) [P2] 15:00-16:30 (Japan Standard Time)
8	Lecture style	Online (live virtual class)
9	Evaluation Criteria	Excellent (S) 90–100%; Very good (A) 80–89%; Good (B) 70–79%; Pass (C) 60–69%; Fail (D) 0–59%
10	Evaluation methods	Attendance and Participation 60%, Assignments 40%
11	Prerequisites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This course is specifically for students who have applied for the UTokyo Pre-arrival JLP. • This course is aimed at complete beginners with no previous knowledge of the Japanese language. • This course can be taken without any knowledge of Hiragana and Katakana.

12	Contents	<p>Purpose The aim of this course is to provide beginner level international students with useful Japanese phrases and vocabulary necessary to deal with communication in daily life. Students who successfully complete this course will learn the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Useful expressions: greetings, self-introduction, etc. • Basic words and phrases: indicating time, prices, etc. • Basic conversation in daily life: shopping, having a meal, etc. <p>Description This course is offered as an online (live) virtual class and is designed to help you use your Japanese in daily life in Japan and communicate with people in various settings. In this 5-day course, you will learn essential Japanese for survival, such as how to ask for the meaning of unknown words and request help from people around you if you are in trouble. You will acquire elementary grammar and vocabulary through practice during the class. Additionally, activities called 'Conversation Challenge' will help you enhance your conversation skills by simulating various real-life situations. *This is a combination of lecture and interactive class that simulates face-to-face sessions. In principle, therefore, the students are requested to have their camera on during the class. Engaging in active practice and discussions with your classmates is highly encouraged."</p> <p>Schedule Session 1: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: CAN~ offer something, make request, ask permission with a minimum of Japanese • Items: expressions for greetings, Noun sentences, 'N no N', Number (up to 100) etc. Session 2: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: CAN~ ask for necessary things at stores, restaurants, etc. • Items: 'N des ka?', 'arimaska?', Number (up to 10,000), Counting money etc. Session 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: CAN~ ask about events: • Items: Interrogative words, Particle 'tte' etc. Session 4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: CAN~ talk about daily life • Items: Verb sentences, Invitations, Days of the week, Time words (days) etc. Session 5: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: CAN~ get information, recommended restaurants and shops • Items: 'Vtai n des kedo.' 'doo des ka?' etc. Notes: Schedules and content may be subject to change.</p> <p>Assignments Students are required to complete a worksheet provided every day (1-2 pages). Students are expected to spend about one hour every day reviewing the day's lesson.</p>
13	Required readings	Center's original materials
14	Reference reading	Will be provided in class.
15	Notes on Taking the Course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Survival Japanese for Beginners has the same content as the ones offered during other time periods. • After the application for enrollment is accepted, applicants will take a brief placement interview (5-10 minutes) by Zoom to assess their suitability for the appropriate course. Please refer to the application guidelines for more details.

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