

Welcome to the Japanese Cultural Studies Elective!

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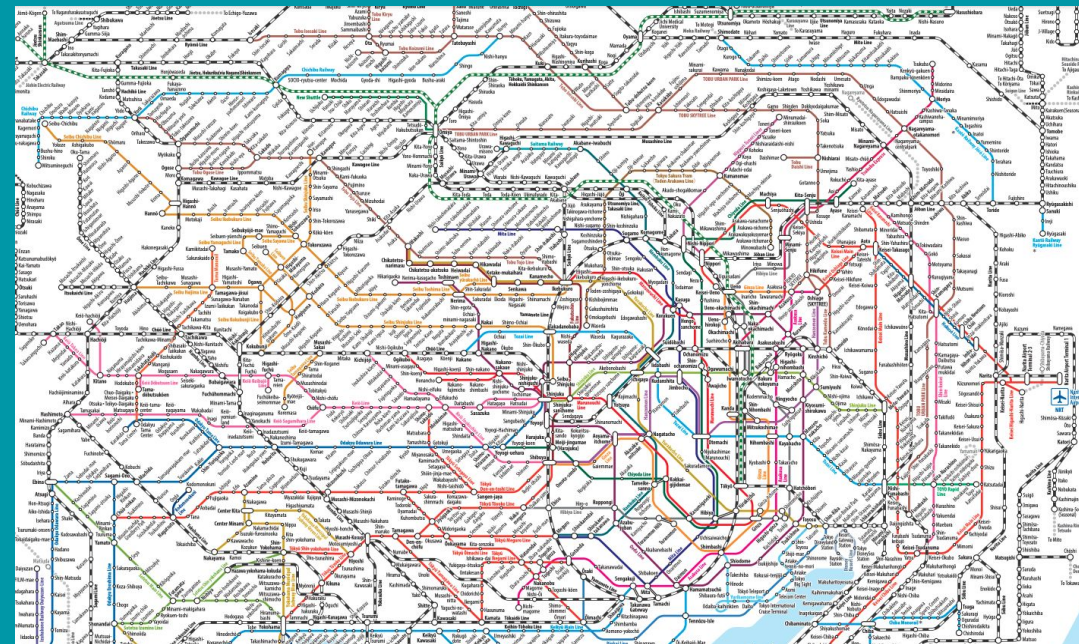




History and Geography: What to know, when you go!



Don't unravel - know how to travel!!!



What to eat - what a TREAT!



Right this way...to ANIME!! (and Manga...and cinema...)



Ghibli, Toei Animation, Suginami, Osamu Tezuka, Bandai Namco...

Sports and Recreation - sometimes in Animation!



As for the ARTS - these Japanese have the smarts!



Japanese Language skills!

Along the way, we'll learn some basic Japanese, especially some useful words and phrases for travel.

Japanese Starter Kit!

Ohayo gozaimasu. Konnichiwa. Konbanwa. Hajimemashite! Sayonara!
Ikura desu ka? (Place) wa doko desu ka? Sore ga tabetai desu.
Doko ni kara kimasu ka? Arigatou gozaimasu. Sumimasen.
Onegai shimasu. Oishii desu! O kanjo kudasai. Nippon ga tsuki desu.
Nippon ga omoshiroi desu! O genki desu ka? Watashi no namae wa ____.
Itadakimasu! Gochisousama deshita. Wakarimasen. Shirimasen.

かたかな チャート KATAKANA CHART					PART 1
BY JOEY HEATON					
This sheet shows the basic katakana characters.					
ア a	イ i	ウ u	エ e	オ o	NOTE 1 There is no "si", "ti", "tu" or "yu". In katakana, they become "shi", "chi", "tsu" and "fu", respectively.
カ ka	キ ki	ク ku	ケ ke	コ ko	
サ sa	シ shi	ス su	セ se	ソ so	NOTE 2 "yi", "ye", "we", "wi" and "wu" do not exist. There are no alternatives.
タ ta	チ chi	ツ tsu	テ te	ト to	
ナ na	ニ ni	ヌ nu	ネ ne	ノ no	NOTE 3 "wo" becomes "o" (ヲ) and is written differently to the other "o" (オ). It is very uncommon in modern Japanese.
ハ ha	ヒ hi	フ fu	ヘ he	ホ ho	
マ ma	ミ mi	ム mu	メ me	モ mo	NOTE 4 Katakana is used exclusively for spelling foreign words and names. In example, "Holly" (pronounced and written as "Horii") is written in katakana as "ホリー".
ヤ ya	NO KATAKANA	ユ yu	NO KATAKANA	ヨ yo	
ラ ra	リ ri	ル ru	レ re	ロ ro	
ワ wa	NO KATAKANA	NO KATAKANA	NO KATAKANA	ヲ o	
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How are you assessed? Just make me impressed!

Your enthusiasm for the class and all things **Japan** will certainly help your grade. The rest of the assessments will be largely project-based (see some examples below), coupled with a handful of review checks.

Japanese Culture and Society: Students create a weekend news show covering various current events on a given weekend in Japan - *with commercials!*

History/Geography: Students create a Travel blog or Travel Itinerary or create Travel Service business.

Anime/Entertainment: Students write a film review or students write a storyboard for a sequel.

Sports/Entertainment: Students plan an Entertainment Guide for a particular week/month.

Literature Assessment: Students craft a short story or book of poems.

