

SYLLABUS

FOUNDATION COURSE IN JAPANESE

Level - 1

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FOUNDATION COURSE IN JAPANESE LANGUAGE

General Information:

The Foundation Course in Japanese Language is a course of ONE year duration with the examination conducted at the end of the year.

Eligibility:

The candidate who has passed H.S.C (12th) or an equivalent examination.

Course Objectives:

The Foundation course is aimed at students who wish to study Japanese from the beginning.

Students should have attained these objectives by the end of the course:

- Acquainting students to new careers options and equipping them to be prepared for the same.
- Preparing students for various careers in language like translation, technical writing, writing for mass-media, advertising free-lancing.
- Creating knowledge and awareness about Globalization and easy to communicate with the world.
- To be able to introduce themselves and others and can ask and answer questions about personal details such as where he/she lives, people they know and things they have.
- To be able to interact in a simple way provided the other person talks slowly and clearly and is prepared to help.

Passing Norms:

Minimum 50% obtaining Individual Paper (i.e. Paper I and Paper II)

To pass the Foundation Course Examination in Japanese a candidate has to obtain at least 50% in written Exam (Paper - I) and at least 50% oral and listening Exam (Paper - II) INDIVIDUALLY.

Credit Points:

Lectures - 180 hours (foundation course contains 12 credit points)

TEXTBOOKS PRESCRIBED

* Writing:

i) Nihon go Shoho - Part I (The Japan Foundation)

ii) Minna no Nihongo - Part I

Additional reading material and hand-outs will be made available during the course from time to time.

* Listening and Oral Examination:

i) Mainichi no Kikitori - I

ii) 90 Days of Japanese Language

Selected conversations from listening tapes and some additional material which available on-line.

Additional Vocabulary:

Approximately 1500 - 2000 Words. This vocabulary covers following areas / topics in daily life:

- Japanese Daily greetings
- Numbers
- Dates
- Family Relations
- Seasons of Japan
- Animals and Birds Names
- Professions
- Public Places in Japanese
- Verbs and their forms in Japanese
- Names of the Countries and cities in Japanese
- Days of the week
- Timing
- Particles in Japanese
- Colors
- Body Parts
- Vegetables, Fruits, Flowers names in Japanese
- Subject Knowledge
- Adjectives (i-adjectives and na-adjectives)
- Counters in Japanese

Kanji: Teaching of kanjis (Chinese script) as per lesson. In the course of Foundation in Japanese completed 125 to 150 Kanjis.

DETAILS OF SYLLABUS

Primary Topics

Sr.No	Name of the Topic	Hours of Teaching	Credit Points as per Topic
1.	Writing Scripts - Hiragana script (Sequence and Stroke Order of each character)	10 Hrs.	1 point
2.	Writing Scripts - Katakana script (Sequence and Stroke Order of each character)	10 Hrs.	1 point
3.	Words for Practice of Scripts	7 Hrs.	1½ (half point)
4.	Self Introduction	3 Hrs.	1½ (half point)
5.	Greetings and Manners	5 Hrs.	1½ (half point)
6.	Additional Vocabulary as above mentioned	38 Hrs.	1½ (half point)

Topics from Text-Book:

Topic No.	Name of the Topic	Hours of Teaching	Credit Points as per Topic
1.	Watashi wa nihonjin desu	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
2.	Kore wa tsukue desu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
3.	Kokoni denwa ga arimasu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
4.	Asoko ni hito ga imasu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
5.	Akai ringo wa ikutsu arimasu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
6.	Bara no hana wa ippon ikura desu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
7.	Anata wa ashita doko e ikimasu	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
8.	Nichiyobi ni wa nani o shimasu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
9.	Watashi wa asa hayaku okimasu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
10.	Kino wa atsukatta desu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
11.	Nihon e benkyo ni ikimasu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
12.	Are wa doko e iku basu desu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
13.	Nan ji ni uchi o dete gakko e kimasu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
14.	Kono hon o kashite kudasai.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
15.	Eigo de nan to iiumasu ka.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
16.	Ame ga futte imasu.	4 Hrs	1½ (half point)
*****	Grammar of all above Lessons		
*****	Kanjis of all above Lessons		

EXAMINATION PAPER PATTERN

* Practice for Listening:

As per the Prescribed Listening Material (24 Hrs.)

1) Paper Pattern - Paper I (written Exam - 100 Marks)

Section	Topic / Content Area	Marks
Q.1.	Particles	10
Q.2.	Writing words Katakana to English and vice-versa	10
Q.3.	Appropriate forms of Verbs	5
Q.4.	Appropriate forms of Adjectives	5
Q.5.	Stroke order of Kanjis	10
Q.6.	Kanji Reading (Kanji to Hiragana)	5
Q.7.	Kanji Reading (Hiragana to Kanji)	5
Q.8.	Counters	10
Q.9.	Verbs	5
Q.10.	Conversations	5
Q.11.	Translation (Japanese to English and vice-versa)	10
Q.12.	Essay	10

II) Paper Pattern - Paper II (Oral & Listening Exam - 100 Marks)

Section	Topic / Content Area	Marks
Q.1.	Dictation	25
Q.2.	Listening	25
Q.3.	Oral Comprehension	20
Q.4.	Picture Description	10
Q.5.	General Questions and Answers	15
Q.6.	Greetings and Self Introduction	05