

## LESSON NOTES

# Culture Class: Essential Japanese Vocabulary S1 #19

## Shops or Services in Town

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## KANJI

1. What are five common shops or services in town in Japan?
2. 1. コンビニ
3. 2. リフレクソロジー
4. 3. まんが喫茶
5. 4. カラオケ
6. 5. 居酒屋

## KANA

1. What are five common shops or services in town in Japan?
2. 1. コンビニ
3. 2. リフレクソロジー
4. 3. まんがきさ
5. 4. カラオケ
6. 5. いざかや

## ROMANIZATION

1. What are five common shops or services in town in Japan?

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2. 1. konbini
3. 2. riturekusorojī
4. 3. manga kissa
5. 4. karaoke
6. 5. izakaya

## ENGLISH

1. What are five common shops or services in town in Japan?
2. 1. convenience store
3. 2. reflexology
4. 3. manga cafe
5. 4. karaoke
6. 5. Japanese drinking place

## VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
コンビニ	コンビニ	konbini	convenience store
リフレクソロジー	リフレクソロジー	riturekusorojī	reflexology
カラオケ	カラオケ	karaoke	karaoke

居酒屋	いざかや	izakaya	Japanese drinking place
まんが喫茶	まんがきっさ	manga kissa	comic café

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>コンビニでは宅急便を送ることもできます。</p> <p><i>konbini dewa takkyūbin o okuru koto mo dekimasu.</i></p> <p>People can send parcels using carrier services at convenience stores.</p>	<p>私はコンビニに行きます。</p> <p><i>Watashi wa konbini ni ikimasu.</i></p> <p>I'll go to the convenience store.</p>
<p>近代のストレス社会においては、多くの人が癒しやリフレクソロジーを求めています。</p> <p><i>kindai no sutoresu shakai ni oitewa, ōku no hito ga iyashi ya rifurekusorojī o motomete imasu.</i></p> <p>In a stressful modern society, many people in Japan seek relaxation in reflexology salons.</p>	<p>カラオケとは、日本語で「空のオーケストラ」という意味です。</p> <p><i>karaoke to wa, nihongo de "kara no ōkesutora" to iu imi desu.</i></p> <p>Karaoke means "empty orchestra" in Japanese.</p>
<p>カラオケに行きませんか。</p> <p><i>Karaoke ni ikimasen ka.</i></p> <p>Won't you go to Karaoke (with me)?</p>	<p>居酒屋は、通常午後5時に開店し、中には朝6時まで開いているところがあります。</p> <p><i>izakaya wa, tūjō gogo goji ni kaiten shi, nakaniwa asa rokuji made aiteiru tokoroga arimasu.</i></p> <p>Izakaya open around 5pm, and some don't close until 6am.</p>
<p>日本の居酒屋が大好きです。</p> <p><i>Nihon no izaka-ya ga daisuki desu.</i></p> <p>I love Japanese-style bars.</p>	<p>まんが喫茶の多くは、長時間滞在をうながすため、フリードリンク制をとっています。</p> <p><i>manga kissa no ōku wa, chōjikan taizai o unagasu tame, furī dorinku sei o totteimasu.</i></p> <p>Many manga cafes offer free soft drinks so that people can enjoy a long stay there.</p>

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私はまんが喫茶に行きます。

*Watashi wa Manga-kissa ni ikimasu.*

I go to a comic café./ I'll go to a comic café.

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## CULTURAL INSIGHT

### 1. convenience store

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Convenience stores are one of the most typical sights in Japan. Almost every block in a city has a convenience store where people can buy a variety of items.

### 2. reflexology

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In the last few decades, massage and relaxation salons have been becoming more and more popular in Japan. In particular the word "reflexology" has become more and more common.

### 3. manga cafe

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A manga cafe is a place where people can read manga (comic books), and which are usually open 24/7. Many manga cafes are also internet cafes, and you usually choose at the reception desk whether you want to read comic books or use a computer.

### 4. karaoke

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Establishments where people can enjoy singing with their friends are usually called "karaoke boxes". These karaoke boxes are often open 24/7.

### 5. Japanese drinking place

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An "izakaya" is a casual drinking place which also offers a food menu to with the drinks. Izakaya often offer private spaces for each group of customers, so that people can enjoy drinking and chatting without worrying about the people at the next table.