

LESSON TRANSCRIPT

Culture Class: Essential Japanese Vocabulary S1 #19 Shops or Services in Town

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INTRODUCTION

Yura: Hi everyone, I'm Yura.

Natsuko: And I'm Natsuko!

Yura: And welcome to Culture Class: Essential Japanese Vocabulary, Lesson 19! In this lesson you'll learn 5 essential words related to Transportation

FIVE KEY VOCABULARY ITEMS

Yura: Natsuko, what's our first word?

Natsuko: コンビニ

Yura: convenience store

Natsuko: (slow) コンビニ (regular) コンビニ

Yura: Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko: コンビニ

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

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. -

Yura: Now, let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Natsuko: (normal) コンビニでは宅急便を送ることもできます。

Yura: People can send parcels using carrier services at convenience stores.

Natsuko: (slow) コンビニでは宅急便を送ることもできます。

Yura: Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko: リフレクソロジー

Yura: reflexology

Natsuko: (slow) リフレクソロジー (regular) リフレクソロジー

Yura: Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko: リフレクソロジー

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

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. -

Yura: Now, let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Natsuko: (normal) 近代のストレス社会においては、多くの方が癒しやリフレクソロジーを求めています。

Yura: In a stressful modern society, many people in Japan seek relaxation in reflexology salons.

Natsuko: (slow)

近代のストレス社会においては、多くの方が癒しやリフレクソロジーを求めています。

Yura: Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko: まんが喫茶

Yura: manga cafe

Natsuko: (slow) まんが喫茶 (regular) まんが喫茶

Yura: Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko: まんが喫茶

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

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. -

Yura: Now, let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Natsuko: (normal) 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。

Yura: Many manga cafes offer free soft drinks so that people can enjoy a long stay there.

Natsuko: (slow) 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。

Yura: Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko: カラオケ

Yura: karaoke

Natsuko: (slow) カラオケ (regular) カラオケ

Yura: Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko: カラオケ

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

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

Yura: Now, let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Natsuko: (normal) 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。

Yura: Karaoke means ""empty orchestra"" in Japanese.

Natsuko: (slow) 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。

Yura: Okay, what's the last word?

Natsuko: 居酒屋

Yura: (Japanese drinking place)

Natsuko: (slow) 居酒屋 (regular) 居酒屋

Yura: Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko: 居酒屋

[pause - 5

sec.]

Yura:

An ""izakaya"" is a casual drinking place which also offers a food menu to go 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. -

Yura: Now, let's hear a sample sentence using this word.

Natsuko: (normal) 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。

Yura: Izakaya open around 5pm, and some don't close until 6am.

Natsuko: (slow) 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。

QUIZ

Yura: Okay listeners, are you ready to be quizzed on the words you just learned?

Natsuko will give you the Japanese – please say the English meaning out loud! Are you ready?

Natsuko: コンビニ

[pause]Yura: convenience store

Natsuko: リフレクソロジー

[pause]Yura: reflexology

Natsuko: まんが喫茶

[pause]Yura: manga cafe

Natsuko: カラオケ

[pause]Yura: karaoke

Natsuko: 居酒屋

[pause]Yura: (Japanese drinking place)

OUTRO

Yura: There you have it – five shops or services in town in Japan! We have more vocab lists available at JapanesePod101.com, so be sure to check them out. Thanks everyone, see you next time!

Natsuko: またね!