

LESSON TRANSCRIPT

Culture Class: Essential Japanese Vocabulary S1 #4

Popular Homecooked Dishes

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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 4! In this lesson you'll learn 5 essential words related to Food

FIVE KEY VOCABULARY ITEMS

Yura:A, what's our first word?

Natsuko:みそ汁

Yura:miso soup

Natsuko:(slow) みそ汁 (regular) みそ汁

Yura:Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko:みそ汁

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

Miso soup is a Japanese soup made from miso paste, which is made from fermented rice and soybeans. Miso soup can have seaweed, tofu, and/or vegetables in it. -

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

Natsuko:(normal) 手作りのみそ汁は、家庭によって味がちがいます。

Yura:The taste of homemade miso soup differs from family to family.

Natsuko:(slow) 手作りのみそ汁は、家庭によって味がちがいます。

Yura:Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko:カレーライス

Yura:Japanese curry

Natsuko:(slow) カレーライス (regular) カレーライス

Yura:Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko:カレーライス

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:Karēraisu is Japanese curry and rice, which was brought to Japan by the British.

The Japanese adapted its taste and style and it became a very popular dish enjoyed by all generations. -

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

Natsuko:(normal) カレーライス、ひとつのお皿にごはん、カレー、福神漬をもりつけます。

Yura:Curry and rice is usually served on one plate, and consists of curry, white rice and special pickles called "fukujinzuke".

Natsuko:(slow) カレーライス、ひとつのお皿にごはん、カレー、福神漬をもりつけます。

Yura:Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko:鍋

Yura:nabe, Japanese hot pot dishes

Natsuko:(slow) 鍋 (regular) 鍋

Yura:Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko:鍋

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

Nabe is a collective term for Japanese hot pot dishes which use a big pot to cook a variety of ingredients. The ingredients are usually either meat, seafood, or fish, as well as a lot of vegetables. -

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

Natsuko:(normal) 冬は、家族みんなで鍋を囲んで食事を楽しみます。

Yura:In winter, Japanese people enjoy hotpot dishes by sharing food in one big pot with family members.

Natsuko:(slow) 冬は、家族みんなで鍋を囲んで食事を楽しみます。

Yura:Okay, what's the next word?

Natsuko:天ぷら

Yura:tempura, deep-fried food

Natsuko:(slow) 天ぷら (regular) 天ぷら

Yura:Listeners, please

repeat:

Natsuko:天ぷら

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

Tempura is Japanese deep-fried seafood and/or vegetables. The batter is made of cold water, eggs and wheat flour. -

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

Natsuko:(normal) 西日本では天ぷらを塩で食べますが、東日本では天つゆにつけて食べます。

Yura:Traditionally people in West Japan enjoy tempura with salt, whereas people in East Japan dip it in a special sauce.

Natsuko:(slow) 西日本では天ぷらを塩で食べますが、東日本では天つゆにつけて食べます。

Yura:Okay, what's the last word?

Natsuko:ハンバーグ

Yura:Japanese hamburger steak

Natsuko:(slow) ハンバーグ (regular) ハンバーグ

Yura:Listeners, please repeat:

Natsuko:ハンバーグ

[pause - 5 sec.]

Yura:

Hanbāgu, or hamburger steak, is made from minced meat, chopped onion, egg and breadcrumbs. It's similar to Salisbury steak, but the ingredients and sauce are different, making hanbāgu a Japanese original. -

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

Natsuko:(normal) ハンバーグは、日本の子供が好きな食べ物のひとつです。

Yura:Hamburger steak is one of the most popular dishes chosen by children in Japan.

Natsuko:(slow) ハンバーグは、日本の子供が好きな食べ物のひとつです。

QUIZ

Yura: Okay listeners, are you ready to be quizzed on the words you just learned? I will give you the Japanese – please say the English meaning out loud! Are you ready?

Natsuko: みそ汁

[pause] Yura: miso soup

Natsuko: カレーライス

[pause] Yura: Japanese curry

Natsuko: 鍋

[pause] Yura: nabe, Japanese hot pot dishes

Natsuko: 天ぷら

[pause] Yura: tempura, deep-fried food

Natsuko: ハンバーグ

[pause] Yura: Japanese hamburger steak

OUTRO

Yura: There you have it – five popular homecooked dishes 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!