

LESSON TRANSCRIPT

# Top 25 Japanese Questions You Need to Know #9

## Do you like Japanese Food?

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# INTRODUCTION

Janet: In each lesson of this 25 part series, you'll master a common question for Japanese learners, and then learn how to answer it like a native speaker. You'll learn how these key phrases work by breaking them down into each component. Then through repetition and new vocabulary, you'll expand your understanding of the question, its answers, and any variations.

## LESSON FOCUS

Janet: In this lesson, you'll learn how to respond to the common question “Do you like Japanese food?” In Japanese this is

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.)

Janet: The first word in the question is

Kaori: 日本食

(にほんしょく nihonshoku)

Janet: meaning “Japanese food” in English.

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) 日本食

(にほんしょく nihonshoku)

Janet: Listen again and repeat.

Kaori: 日本食

(にほんしょく nihonshoku)

{Pause}

Janet: This pattern of first introducing a word at natural speed, providing the translation, breaking it down, and then giving it again at natural speed will be repeated throughout the series. Try to speak aloud as often as possible. The next word in the question is

Kaori: が

(ga)

Janet: In this case, a particle that marks the object of “like”

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) が

(ga)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: が

(ga)

{Pause}

Janet: Listen to the the first 2 words of the question and repeat.

Kaori:

日本食が

(にほんしょく が nihonshoku ga)

{pause}

Janet: And next

Kaori: 好きです

(好きです sukidesu)

Janet: meaning "to like".

Kaori: 好きです

(好きです sukidesu)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: 好きです

(好きです sukidesu)

{Pause}

Janet: Listen to the the first 3 words of the question and repeat.

Kaori: 日本食 が 好きです

(nihonshoku ga sukidesu)

{pause}

Janet: And after that

Kaori: か

(ka)

Janet: question marking particle.

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) か

(ka)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: か

(ka)

{Pause}

Janet: Listen to the entire question and repeat.

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょく が すき です か。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.)

{pause}

Janet: You will hear this common question again and again throughout your studies. Master the following pattern and responses to the question "Do you like Japanese food?"

Kaori: はい、特に寿司が好きです。

(はい、とくにすしが好きです。 Hai, tokuni sushi ga suki desu.)

Janet: "Yes, I especially like Sushi." Again, slowly. Repeat the phrase.

Kaori: (Slow) はい、特に寿司が好きです。

(はい、とくにすしが好きです。 Hai, tokuni sushi ga suki

desu.)

{pause}

Janet: Let's break it down from the beginning. The first word:

Kaori: はい

(hai)

Janet: meaning "yes."

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) はい

(hai)

Janet: Now repeat

Kaori: はい

(hai)

{Pause}

Janet: And next

Kaori: 特別

(とくに tokuni)

Janet: meaning "especially."

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) 特別

(とくに tokuni)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: 特別

(とくに tokuni)

{Pause}

Janet: And after that

Kaori: 寿司

(すし sushi)

meaning "sushi." or "Japanese raw fish."

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) 寿司

(すし sushi)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: 寿司

(すし sushi)

{Pause}

Janet: Next is

Kaori: が

(ga)

Janet: object-marking particle

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) が

(ga)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori:

が

(ga)

{Pause}

Janet: And next

Kaori: 好きです。

(好きです。 sukidesu.)

Janet: meaning “to like.”

Kaori: (Slow, by syllable) 好きです。

(好きです。 sukidesu.)

Janet: Now repeat.

Kaori: 好きです。

(好きです。 sukidesu.)

Janet: Listen to the speaker say, “Yes, I especially like Sushi.,” and then repeat.

Kaori: はい、特に寿司が好きです。

(はい、とくにすしが好きです。 Hai, tokuni sushi ga suki desu.)

{pause}

Janet: To expand on the pattern, replace “Sushi” with “Takoyaki.” “octopus dumplings.”

Kaori: たこ焼き

(たこやき takoyaki)

Janet: Takoyaki, octopus dumplings

Kaori: (slow) たこ焼き

(たこやき takoyaki) (regular) たこ焼き

(たこやき takoyaki)

Janet: Listen to the phrase again, this time with “Takoyaki”

Kaori: はい、特にたこ焼きが好きです。

(はい、とくにたこやきが好きです。 Hai, tokuni takoyaki ga suki desu.)

Janet: It mostly stays the same. Simply replace “sushi” with “takoyaki”. Say “Yes, I especially like takoyaki.”

{pause}

Kaori: はい、特にたこ焼きが好きです。

(はい、とくにたこやきが好きです。 Hai, tokuni takoyaki ga suki desu.)

Janet: To use a different phrase, replace “Takoyaki” with “Shabushabu.”, thin boiled slices of meat with vegetables

Kaori: しゃぶしゃぶ

(shabushabu)

Janet: Shabushabu, thin boiled slices of meat with vegetables

Kaori: (slow) しゃぶしゃぶ(shabushabu)

(regular) しゃぶしゃぶ(shabushabu)

Janet: Listen to the phrase again, this time with “Shabushabu”

Kaori:

はい、特にしゃぶしゃぶが好きです。

(はい、とくにしゃぶしゃぶがすきです。 Hai, tokuni shabushabu ga suki desu.)

Janet: It mostly stays the same. Simply replace the “Takoyaki” with “Shabushabu”.

Say “Yes, I especially like Shabushabu.”

{pause}

Kaori: はい、特にしゃぶしゃぶが好きです。

(はい、とくにしゃぶしゃぶがすきです。 Hai, tokuni shabushabu ga suki desu.)

Janet: To use a different phrase, replace “Shabushabu” with “Ramen noodles”.

Kaori: ラーメン

(ramen)

Janet: Ramen noodles

Kaori: (slow) ラーメン(ramen)

(regular) ラーメン(ramen)

Janet: Listen to the phrase again, this time with “Ramen noodles.”

Kaori: はい、特にラーメンが好きです。

(はい、とくにラーメンがすきです。 Hai, tokuni ramen ga suki desu.)

Janet: It mostly stays the same. Simply replace “Shabushabu” with “Ramen noodles”.

Say “Yes, I especially like Ramen noodles.”

{pause}

Kaori: はい、特にラーメンが好きです。

(はい、とくにラーメンがすきです。 Hai, tokuni ramen ga suki desu.)

Janet: To say “no” to this question, in a simple way, just say:

Kaori: いいえ、好きじゃないです。

(すきじゃないです。 sukijya nai desu.)

Janet: Which is like saying “No, I don’t like.” in English. Let’s listen to the question and the answer together.

Kaori: (Slowly) いいえ、好きじゃないです。

(すきじゃないです。 sukijya nai desu.)

Janet: And one more time at normal speed:

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

Kaori: いいえ、好きじゃないです。

(すきじゃないです。 sukijya nai desu.)

## QUIZ

Janet: Now it's time for a quiz. Imagine you are visiting Japan and someone asks you if you like Japanese food. You want to answer that you like Sushi. Respond to the question.

Kaori:

日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.) (five seconds) はい、特に寿司が好きです。

(はい、とくにすしがすきです。 Hai, tokuni sushi ga suki desu.)

Janet: Now you want to say that you like Takoyaki, octopus dumplings. Respond to the question.

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.) (five seconds) はい、特にたこやきが好きです。

(はい、とくにたこやきがすきです。 Hai, tokuni takoyaki ga suki desu.)

Janet: You want to say that you like Shabushabu, boiled thin slices of meat with vegetables. Answer the speaker's question.

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.) (five seconds) はい、特にしゃぶしゃぶが好きです。

(はい、とくにしゃぶしゃぶがすきです。 Hai, tokuni shabushabu ga suki desu.)

Janet: You want to say that you like Ramen noodles. Respond to the question.

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.) (five seconds) はい、特にラーメンが好きです。

(はい、とくにらーめんがすきです。 Hai, tokuni ramen ga suki desu.)

Janet: Now you want to ask someone if they like Japanese food. Ask the question (5 seconds)

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.)

{pause}

Janet: Now it's time to answer the question with actual information about yourself.

Kaori: 日本食が好きですか。

(にほんしょくがすきですか。 Nihonshoku ga suki desu ka.)

{pause}

## OUTRO

Janet: This is the end of Lesson 9