

## LESSON NOTES

# Beginner #10

## Last Episode of the Year!

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# KANJI

1. (女性)
2. 大晦日
3. 紅白歌合戦
4. 年越しそば
5. お年玉
6. 良いお年を
7. (男性)
8. 大晦日
9. 紅白歌合戦
10. 年越しそば
11. お年玉
12. 良いお年を

# KANA

1. (じょせい)
2. おおみそか

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3. こうはくうたがっせん
4. としこしそば
5. おとしだま
6. よいおとしを
7. (だんせい)
8. おおみそか
9. こうはくうたがっせん
10. としこしそば
11. おとしだま
12. よいおとしを

## ROMANIZATION

1. (Josei)
2. Ōmisoka
3. Kōhaku utagassen
4. Toshikoshi soba
5. O-toshidama

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6. Yoi o-toshi o
7. (Dansei)
8. Ōmisoka
9. Kōhaku utagassen
10. Toshikoshi soba
11. O-toshidama
12. Yoi o-toshi o

## ENGLISH

1. (Female)
2. New Year's Eve
3. Battle of the sexes singing competition
4. New Year's soba noodles
5. New Year's gift
6. Happy New Year
7. (Male)
8. New Year's Eve

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9. Battle of the sexes singing competition
10. New Year's soba noodles
11. New Year's gift
12. Happy New Year

## VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
大晦日	おおみそか	Ōmisoka	New Year's Eve
紅白	こうはく	kōhaku	red and white
歌	うた	uta	song
年越し	としこし	toshi koshi	New Year's crossover
蕎麦	そば	soba	buckwheat noodles
お年玉	おとしだま	otoshidama	New Year's gift of money
合戦	かっせん/がっせん	gassen/kassen	battle

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

<p>12月31日は大晦日です。  <i>12-gatsu 31-nichi wa ōmisoka desu.</i></p> <p>December 31 is New Year's Eve.</p>	<p>紅白のキャンディーは美味しいです。  <i>kōhaku no kyandī wa oishii desu.</i></p> <p>Red and white stripe candy is delicious.</p>
<p>マドンナの歌は良いです。  <i>Madonna no uta wa ii desu.</i></p> <p>Madonna's song is good.</p>	<p>年越しコンサートは楽しいです。  <i>Toshi koshi konsāto wa tanoshii desu.</i></p> <p>Concerts that take place on New Year's Eve are fun.</p>

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蕎麦は美味しいです。

*Soba wa oishii desu.*

Buckwheat noodles are delicious.

お年玉をもらいました。

*Otoshidama o moraimashita.*

I received a gift of New Year's money.

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雪合戦は楽しいです。

*Yuki gassen wa tanoshii desu.*

Snowball fight is fun.

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## GRAMMAR

*Kōhaku uta gassen* ・ こうはくうたがっせん ・ 紅白歌合戦

Battle of the sexes singing competition (rough translation). Girls vs. the guys, with all types of singers from J-pop to J-rap to "Enka"- the Japanese balladic equivalent of Country Music. It is broadcast every year on New Year's Eve.

*Toshi koshi soba* ・ としこしそば ・ 年越し蕎麦

buckwheat noodles eaten on New Year's Eve (before the strike of midnight!) year-crossing noodles

*O-toshi dama* ・ おとしだま ・ お年玉

money given as a gift at the New Year in an envelope to children (primarily as I am sure some young adults out there are milking it)

*Yoi o-toshi o* ・ よいおとしを ・ 良いお年を

"Happy New Year" (before the end of the year, usually to someone you see or speak to for the last time that year)