

Week 1: Introduction to Japanese Language & Hiragana (Part 1)

- **Goals:** Understand Japanese language basics, introduce Hiragana.
- **Topics:**
 - Introduction to the three scripts: Hiragana, Katakana, Kanji.
 - Basic greetings: "こんにちは" (Konnichiwa), "さようなら" (Sayounara).
 - Start learning Hiragana (あ - そ).
 - Practice reading and writing these characters.
 - Introduce classroom expressions: "わかりますか?" (Do you understand?), "もういちど" (Once again).

Week 2: Hiragana (Part 2) & Basic Vocabulary

- **Goals:** Complete Hiragana chart, learn simple words.
- **Topics:**
 - Continue learning Hiragana (た - ん).
 - Practice reading and writing Hiragana words.
 - Introduce vocabulary: family (おかあさん - mother, おとうさん - father).
 - Simple self-introduction: "わたしのなまえは [name] です" (My name is [name]).

Week 3: Basic Sentence Structure & Katakana (Part 1)

- **Goals:** Learn simple sentence structure (SOV), introduce Katakana.
- **Topics:**
 - Japanese sentence structure (subject + object + verb).
 - Introduce Katakana (ア - ソ).
 - Practice simple sentences: "私は猫が好きです" (I like cats).
 - Continue basic greetings and self-introduction practice.

Week 4: Katakana (Part 2) & Numbers

- **Goals:** Finish Katakana chart, learn counting and numbers.
- **Topics:**
 - Finish Katakana (タ - ン).
 - Practice reading and writing Katakana.
 - Learn numbers (1-20).
 - Practice asking age: "なんさいですか?" (How old are you?).

Week 5: Introducing Kanji & Time Expressions

- **Goals:** Introduce basic Kanji and time-related vocabulary.
- **Topics:**
 - Learn 10 basic Kanji: 一, 二, 三, 四, 五, 六, 七, 八, 九, 十.
 - Telling time: "いまなんじですか?" (What time is it?).
 - Practice using hours: "一時" (1 o'clock), "二時" (2 o'clock).

Week 6: Days of the Week & Basic Verbs

- **Goals:** Learn the days of the week and common verbs.
- **Topics:**
 - Days of the week: "月曜日" (Monday), "火曜日" (Tuesday), etc.
 - Basic verbs: "食べる" (to eat), "みる" (to see), "いく" (to go).
 - Create simple sentences using the verbs learned: "私は月曜日に学校へいきます" (I go to school on Monday).

Week 7: Adjectives & Describing Things

- **Goals:** Learn adjectives and how to describe objects.
- **Topics:**
 - Introduce adjectives: "おおきい" (big), "ちいさい" (small), "あたらしい" (new), "ふるい" (old).
 - Sentence patterns with adjectives: "[noun] は [adjective] です" (The [noun] is [adjective]).
 - Describing people, places, and objects: "このえんぴつはおおきいです" (This pencil is big).

Week 8: Colors & Asking Questions

- **Goals:** Learn colors and practice asking questions.
- **Topics:**
 - Colors: "あお" (blue), "あか" (red), "しろ" (white), etc.
 - Practice questions: "これわなんですか?" (What is this?).
 - Simple question and answer dialogues.

Week 9: Likes, Dislikes, & Polite Speech

- **Goals:** Express preferences and learn polite speech.
- **Topics:**
 - Vocabulary for likes/dislikes: "すき" (like), "きらい" (dislike).
 - Practice: "私は犬がすきです" (I like dogs).
 - Introduction to polite speech: using **ます** and **です** endings.

Week 10: Review & Conversational Practice

- **Goals:** Review and reinforce all concepts learned.
- **Topics:**
 - Review Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji.
 - Conversational practice: introducing oneself, talking about likes/dislikes, asking questions.
 - Role-play simple dialogues.

Week 11: Particles は (wa) and を (wo)

- **Goals:** Understand how to use particles in sentences.
- **Topics:**
 - Introduce particle は (topic marker) and を (object marker).
 - Practice: "私は水をのみます" (I drink water).
 - Sentence structure with these particles: subject + object + verb.
 - Continue practicing basic conversations using particles.

Week 12: Verbs (Present/Future Tense) & Basic Conjugation

- **Goals:** Understand how to conjugate verbs in present/future tense.
- **Topics:**
 - Learn verb conjugation for present/future tense: たべる -> たべます (to eat -> eat).
 - Practice verbs in sentences: "私はごはんをたべます" (I eat rice).
 - Continue practicing basic verbs learned earlier.

Week 13: Negative Form of Verbs

- **Goals:** Learn how to make sentences negative.
- **Topics:**
 - Learn the negative form of verbs: たべる -> たべません (do not eat).
 - Practice negative sentences: "私はさかなをたべません" (I do not eat fish).
 - Combine with particles: subject + object + negative verb.

Week 14: Adverbs of Frequency & Simple Daily Routine

- **Goals:** Learn how to talk about daily activities.
- **Topics:**
 - Adverbs of frequency: "いつも" (always), "ときどき" (sometimes), "ぜんぜん" (never).
 - Talking about daily routine: "私はあさごはんをたべます" (I eat breakfast).
 - Practice describing morning and evening routines.

Week 15: Verb Conjugation (Past Tense)

- **Goals:** Learn past tense forms of verbs.
- **Topics:**
 - Conjugate verbs into the past tense: たべる -> たべました (ate), のむ -> のみました (drank).
 - Practice sentences: "私はパンをたべました" (I ate bread).
 - Contrast present and past tense in practice.

Week 16: More Kanji & Describing Locations

- **Goals:** Learn more Kanji and how to describe locations.
- **Topics:**
 - Introduce 10 more Kanji: 山 (mountain), 川 (river), 田 (rice field), 中 (inside), 上 (up), 下 (down), etc.

- Learn location-related vocabulary: "ここ" (here), "そこ" (there), "あそこ" (over there).
- Practice sentences like: "ほんはここに 있습니다" (The book is here).

Week 17: Polite Requests and Asking for Permission

- **Goals:** Learn how to make polite requests and ask for permission.
- **Topics:**
 - Request pattern: "～をください" (Please give me ～).
 - Asking for permission: "～てもいいですか?" (Is it okay to ～?).
 - Practice polite interactions like "みずをください" (Please give me water) and "これをつかってもいいですか?" (Is it okay to use this?).

Week 18: Transportation & Directions Vocabulary

- **Goals:** Learn how to talk about transportation and give directions.
- **Topics:**
 - Vocabulary: "くるま" (car), "でんしゃ" (train), "バス" (bus), "ちかてつ" (subway).
 - Asking for directions: "どうやっていきますか?" (How do I get there?).
 - Practice dialogues: "バスでいきます" (I go by bus), "ここからどうやっていきますか?" (How do I get there from here?).

Week 19: Expressing Abilities and Preferences

- **Goals:** Learn how to talk about abilities and preferences.
- **Topics:**
 - Expressing ability: "できます" (can), "できません" (cannot).
 - Practice: "私は日本語ができます" (I can speak Japanese), "スキーはできません" (I cannot ski).
 - Express preferences: "これが好きです" (I like this).

Week 20: Planning and Making Arrangements

- **Goals:** Learn how to plan and talk about future events.
- **Topics:**
 - Future tense: "～ます" form can also indicate future tense.
 - Making plans: "あしたなにをしますか?" (What will you do tomorrow?).
 - Practice conversation about plans: "私はあしたえいがをみます" (I will watch a movie tomorrow).