

## RATING YOUR LANGUAGE LEARNING CAPABILITY FOR JAPANESE

Name in English:

Last: \_\_\_\_\_

First: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your level of study in Japanese (Circle one) 1 2 3 4 5

**How confident are you about learning and using Japanese?** Reading, listening, and speaking are activities you do to learn and use Japanese. This questionnaire describes different kinds of tasks you might do in Japanese. For each kind of task, you are going to rate how sure you are that you could work on a language task *like the one described* and do what you are supposed to do in a reasonable amount of time.

The rating scale goes from 0 to 100. Marking a higher number means you are more sure that you could do the activity, while marking a lower number means you are less sure that you could do it. Please mark how you *really* feel about your capability to do a language task like the one described.

***There are no right or wrong answers. There are only answers that tell how you actually feel.***

**Reading Japanese**

Reading is a frequent activity you use for learning and using Japanese. You may often read texts such as dialogues, stories, and advertisements in Japanese as part of classwork or on your own.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could read a text in Japanese and...

R1. **...figure out the main topic or gist.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

R2. **...answer questions about very specific information.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

R3. **...figure out the meanings of words or phrases you don't understand.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

R4. **...retell in English what you read.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

R5. **...use a Japanese text to accomplish a task in real life (e.g., read a menu to order a meal).**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

***Listening to Japanese***

You may often listen to people speaking Japanese--your teacher, classmates, and native speakers (in person, on videotapes, and on cassettes), and you want to make sure you understand them.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could listen to Japanese and...

**L1. ...understand the gist of what you hear.**

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 Not                  Somewhat                  Kind                  Very                  Completely  
 sure                  unsure                  of sure                  sure                  sure

**L2. ...understand details.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                  Somewhat                  Kind                  Very                  Completely  
 sure                  unsure                  of sure                  sure                  sure

**L3. ...figure out the meanings of words or phrases you don't understand.**

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 Not                  Somewhat                  Kind                  Very                  Completely  
 sure                  unsure                  of sure                  sure                  sure

**L4. ...retell in English what you heard.**

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 Not                  Somewhat                  Kind                  Very                  Completely  
 sure                  unsure                  of sure                  sure                  sure

**L5. ...use the information heard in Japanese to accomplish a task in real life (e.g., understand directions to a train station).**

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 Not                  Somewhat                  Kind                  Very                  Completely  
 sure                  unsure                  of sure                  sure                  sure

**Speaking Japanese**

Part of learning and using Japanese is being able to speak it. In class you may have to answer questions, talk to classmates, and give information about yourself. Outside of class you might have conversations with native speakers and friends.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could speak Japanese and...

S1. **...communicate the main point(s) of what you want to say.**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

S2. **...give supporting details and explanations at a listener's request.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

S3. **...solve communication problems when you don't know how to say something or when the listener doesn't understand.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

S4. **...know whether the listener is understanding you correctly.**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

S5. **...accomplish a task in real life (e.g., asking the price of an item in a store).**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

**Learning Vocabulary**

Learning new words is a major part of learning Japanese. You may have to learn vocabulary given to you by your teacher. You might also learn words that you want to know.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could have a list of Japanese vocabulary words like you have in class and...

V1. **...learn what each word means.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

V2. **...use each word correctly in a sentence.**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

V3. **...hear or read sentences with these words and understand the meaning of the sentences.**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

V4. **...remember the meaning of each word a month later.**

0-----10-----20-----30-----40-----50-----60-----70-----80-----90-----100  
 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure

V5. **...understand or use the word in a real life setting.**

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 Not                      Somewhat                      Kind                      Very                      Completely  
 sure                      unsure                      of sure                      sure                      sure