

Class name: 中級火 Intermediate Tue. (Online /18:30-20:00)

Instructor: Mr. Joseph Drakos

Welcome to the Intermediate course

Hello, and welcome to this class. I'm Joe Drakos and I have been living and teaching in Japan for over 25 years. This is my 9th term with this English training class and I am currently teaching the intermediate level course. I would like to explain to interested participants what they will learn in throughout this course.

First of all, determining "intermediate" level for participants is somewhat difficult. Most can understand that "intermediate" means between beginning and advanced level but "*intermediate*" can have many meanings. *After some consideration I have discovered that intermediate is where participants who have learned English at the beginner level start to use their skills freely while still learning new concepts for communication. It is also a time where students experience native English and try to understand how native speakers talk.*

The intermediate course consists of 3 different types of classes:

1. Communication concept training/ Question development practice
2. Native English listening forums
3. Participants centered free talk sessions

In a communication training class participants are introduced to communication concepts. Participants are shown various ways to use each concept and spend much of the period practicing them with classmates. Question development classes introduce participants to question words and the various ways to use them. Listening forum classes give participants the opportunity participants watch and listen to native English on topics about culture, news and world issues. They learn new words and phrases concerning the topic, try to understand as much as they can and then have a discussion based on the topic. Free speaking classes involve small group discussion topics that the participants choose and talk about.

It is very important that participants try to participate actively as much as they can. By doing so, the participant will get the maximum benefit this class can provide. I look forward to meeting you!

****受講者の声****

- ・ 2度目の受講ですが、先生がとてもフランクで、皆が会話できるよう工夫してくださり、恥ずかしいと思わず積極的に話すことができました。フリートークのテーマも様々な分野があり、偏ることなく会話ができたと感じます。(2022年度オンライン授業、中級水クラス受講 S.H さん(一部抜粋))
- ・ 初めての受講でしたが、オンラインでも英語力が伸びるよう授業の工夫がされており、また先生もとてもユーモアがある方で、毎週楽しく勉強ができました。また、同じクラスの受講者の方もとても親切な方ばかりで、画面越しでしかお会いしたことはありませんでしたが、実際に会いたいと思うような方ばかりで、とてもよい雰囲気のクラスでした。
(2022年度オンライン授業、中級水クラス受講 Y.N さん)

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