

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 many years. This is my 10th term conducting courses with the English training group 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 participants will get the maximum benefit this class can provide. I look forward to meeting you!

**\*\*受講者の声\*\***

- ・講師の先生は、日本の文化や日本人の特性を理解されているので、理解しやすく話を進めてくださいました。また、ネイティブの英語や文化、表現を知ることができたことも勉強になりました。  
(2024年度オンライン授業、中級火クラス受講)
- ・様々なレベルの方が受講しています。先生のフォローや個々の生徒への気配りが素晴らしく、最後まで充実した授業を受けられました。私の課題は基礎の部分を補充しつつ、間違いを恐れず話し続けることで、終わりのころには克服することができました。(2024年度オンライン授業、中級火クラス受講 (一部抜粋))

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 Online classes (Zoom)