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The children's international understanding course
"Let's learn! Let's play! Travel around the world!" was held!

2nd August 2024,
Location: Nagasaki City Library



Foreign residents living in Nagasaki (from Nepal, Australia, Italy, China, Korea) became teachers and taught 38 elementary school Nagasaki students about the language, customs and food of their "travel destination".
The children listened to the teachers attentively.

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日本語でおしゃべりしよう! Chatting in Japanese [Azalea]



Every Monday from 11:00am, in the exchange floor of the Nagasaki International Association (1F Dejima Koryu Kaikan) there is a Japanese free talk session with foreign residents living in Nagasaki Prefecture.

We spoke with Ms. Kyoko, representative of Azalea 🎵



Ms. Kyoko

Q1 What kind of people participate?

Currently we have people from Malaysia and Thailand participating. So far, we have had international students of various nationalities and foreign wives living in Nagasaki participate. You do not need to be able to speak Japanese. Japanese people who have an interest in foreign countries are also welcome to join.

Q2 How did you become interested in international exchange? What kind of experiences have you had?

When I was a high school student, I ended up sharing a table with foreigners at a coffee shop. Although I only spoke in English out of curiosity, I found it interesting that I was able to communicate with them. Later, when I was raising children, I attended a community class on international exchange and had a fun experience learning Korean cooking and exchanging opinions at the house of the Korean teacher, who was the same age as me. When I received a wedding invitation from Vietnam, I was invited to stay at their house and gave a speech at the reception while wearing an Ao Dai. When I visited Thailand and Taiwan, I was shown around by my friends. I have had many heartwarming experiences.

🇲🇾 From a participant: I have enjoyed participating every week since one and a half years ago. On top of learning Japanese, it has also been beneficial to receive advice and recommendations from Ms. Kyoko who has a wealth of experience.

Q3 Why did you start this activity?

When I attended a class at the Nagasaki International Association 16 years ago, I was recommended to start this activity. I started this activity with two friends I become close with during that class.

Q4 You have been active for 16 years? What is your motivation for continuing this activity?

I receive a lot of inspiration from speaking with people around the same age as my children every week.



How about joining the "Community Japanese Classroom" which is held in each region of Nagasaki Prefecture? [Nagasaki Prefectural Government and Nagasaki International Association]



Our association is working together with the Nagasaki Prefectural Government to create "Community Japanese Classrooms" which allow foreign residents of Nagasaki to connect with local Japanese people while learning Japanese.

In the classroom, conversations are held using "easy Japanese". We would be happy if the classroom became a "place where people want to gather" where participants get to know each other and learn Japanese through conversations.

Classes are being held in 8 regions and 10 cities within Nagasaki Prefecture!



You can learn Japanese online!

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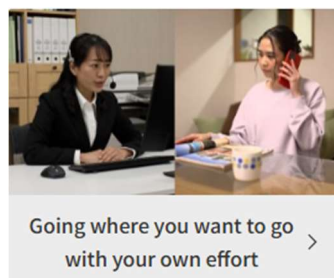
IRODORI Japanese Online Course

The Japan Foundation 12 languages

This is a language learning tool that aims to help foreign residents living in Japan communicate in Japanese and live in Japan.

There are 49 scenes and 135 situations. For each situation, the website

provides a video showing a scene from daily life, which varies in length from several seconds to several minutes and features phrases and words used in the scene.



Going where you want to go with your own effort



Access the learning guide here 🖱️

This is a registration-based (free) online course that allows you to learn the Japanese you need for everyday situations in Japan through self-study. You can learn anytime, anywhere, by studying from your smartphone or computer.

You can study step-by-step by following the Can-do goals. You can practice speaking by watching the videos and can practice listening by listening to the recordings and looking at the illustrations. There is also a full range of practice questions.



The app is also convenient 🖱️



What to do if an earthquake occurs...

Japan is a country with many earthquakes. Learn about evacuation procedures during an earthquake.

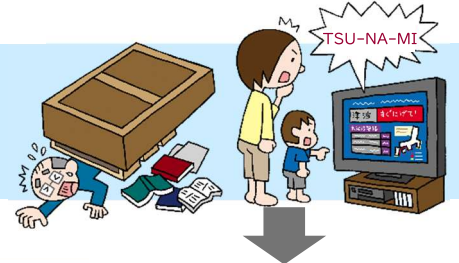
When an earthquake happens

Protect yourself
(stay low and protect your head)



After the shaking stops

- 1 Check if you or your family are harmed
- 2 Check for damage inside and around your home
- 3 Check the TV or radio for information



*Be alert for aftershocks and secondary disasters!

If there is a fire nearby...
If you live near the ocean or a cliff...
If your home is damaged...



If the area around your house is safe...
If your home is undamaged...

5 to 20 minutes after

Escape to an **evacuation site** *



(Due to an aftershock or secondary disaster)

If your home is damaged...

Go to an **evacuation center** *



Return home / Stay home

*Check in advance with your city or town's consultation desk about where the evacuations centers and shelters are.

Earthquake! What to do then? Sendai International Association



The video can be viewed in 12 languages

This is an earthquake disaster video designed for foreign residents based on the experience of the Great East Japan Earthquake. It shows you how to prepare for an earthquake and what to do in the event of an earthquake.

Things You Need to Know Before Disaster Strikes!!



It is available in 4 languages

This is a disaster pamphlet designed for foreign residents living in Nagasaki Prefecture. When an earthquake strikes, you may be walking along the street, riding a bus, riding in an elevator, etc... It will tell you what you should do for each scenario!

Remember these words which will be used during an earthquake

Words	Meaning	Example
きんきゅうじしんそくほう 緊急地震速報 kinkyū jishin sokuhō	じしん し 「すぐに地震がくる」というお知らせ a notice announcing "an earthquake will strike soon"	きんきゅうじしんそくほう 緊急地震速報です。
ゆ 揺れ yure	いえ みち おお うご 家や道が大きく動く the house or road moves a lot	つよ ゆ けいかい 強い揺れに警戒してください。
けいかい 警戒する keikai suru	さいがい き (災害に)気をつける be alert for disasters	This is a notice announcing that an earthquake will strike soon. Please be alert for strong tremors.
よしん 余震 yoshin	おお じしん じしん 大きな地震のあとの地震 another earthquake occurring after a big earthquake	よしん き き 余震が来ます。気をつけてください。 Aftershock is going to occur. Please be careful.
ひなんしじ 避難指示 hinan shiji	に し 「すぐに逃げて」というお知らせ a notice announcing "evacuate immediately"	ちく ひなんしじ で 〇〇地区に、避難指示が出ています。
ひなん 避難する hinan suru	あんぜん に 安全なところに逃げる escape to a safe area	たか ひなん 高いところへ避難してください。 An evacuation notice has been issued for ●● district. Please evacuate to a high place immediately.

Information from NIA

Details about the grant can be found here



NIA supports multiculturalism and international exchange conducted by private organizations within Nagasaki Prefecture.

On 6th June 2024, Kyushu Asian Bridge held the “2024 Foreigners and Supporters Exchange Party and Japanese Speech Contest” at the Takashiro Kaiken in Isahaya City, utilizing the grant from NIA.

Kyushu Asian Bridge is a fee-charging job placement, registration support and supervising organization. We work daily to serve as a bridge between foreigners and Japanese people, creating an environment that is easy to work and live in for both parties.

In June we held an exchange meeting between foreigners living in Japan and support organizations which was attended by many foreigners, union members and locals. This was the first time that we had locals participate.

At the “Japanese Speech Contest”, 8 participants from Indonesia and Myanmar gave speeches on the topic of “What I think is strange about Japan” using fluent Japanese and lots of humor.

Additionally, locals experienced the “Easy Japanese Class” which is held for union members everyday. In the evening, everyone deepened exchange while enjoying the barbecue. Thank you to everyone who participated.



Speech Contest Winners

Face-Changing Show [Confucious Shrine Koushi-byo Historical Museum of China]

Face-changing is a popular traditional performing art of Sichuan Opera, in which the performers, quick as lightning, change their faces multiple times.

【Date】 1PM~(lasts about 10 to 15 min.) 4th, 18th, 21th, 26th, 28th, 29th December 2024

【Place】 the Confucius Temple Plaza in Nagasaki (10-36 Ouramachi, Nagasaki City)

* In case of rain, the show will be moved to the corridor with a roof.

【Admission Fee】 Adults: 660 yen, High school students: 440 yen,
Elementary and junior high school students: 330 yen

* No reservation needed.



Nagasaki Multicultural Festival (Organizer: International Affairs Division, Nagasaki City Hall)

We will hold an international exchange event where you can casually enjoy experiencing foreign cultures. Immerse yourself in stage events featuring performances of various musical instruments and folk music. There will also be plenty of booths where you can experience the culture of various countries such as through introduction of the activities of international exchange organizations active within Nagasaki City and trying on traditional clothing of foreign countries.

* There won't be any “champion” at the festival

【Date】 12:30PM to 4:00PM (Saturday) 25th January 2025

【Place】 3F Nagasaki Brick Hall (2-38 Mori-machi, Nagasaki City)

【Contact】 International Affairs Division, Nagasaki City Hall ☎ 095-829-1113



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We provide consultation services in 22 languages so that foreigners living in Nagasaki Prefecture can live comfortably and safely.

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