



STUDY TIPS FOR JAPANESE LANGUAGE LEARNERS

- **Talk a LOT!** *Talk to your teacher, your classmates, or the waiter at the restaurant. Take advantage of every opportunity to practice speaking.*
- **Repetition.** *Try to use what you learn in class right away, and use it regularly.*
- **Don't be afraid to make mistakes!** *You WILL say things incorrectly in the beginning. It's all part of the learning process!*
- **Practice, practice, practice!** *You can practice anytime, anywhere. Even if you are not reading, writing, or doing homework, you can make a conscious effort to practice.*
 - *Practice saying new words out loud*
 - *Find a Japanese radio station or look for songs on YouTube*
 - *Try watching a movie in Japanese*
 - *Go to public events and experience the culture*

Most importantly, **HAVE FUN!** Learning a new language opens up many new doors for both professional development and new social experiences. Take advantage of all the opportunities that this will bring your way!

Here are a few free resources for practice:

- *Websites*
 - BBC Languages: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/japanese/>
 - EasyJapanese: <http://www.easyjapanese.org/>
 - Japanese Lesson: http://www.japanese-lesson.com/conversation/basic_japanese/index.html
 - Live Mocha: <http://livemocha.com/pages/languages/learn-japanese/>
 - Japanese Study Materials: <http://www.manythings.org/japanese/>
 - JapanesePod101: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/learn-japanese-japanesepod101.com/id109573938?mt=2>
- *Cell phone apps:*
 - [Tae Kim's Guide to Learning Japanese](#)
 - [Mirai Japanese](#)