

Project Name: NYC Japanese Context Question Builder

Required Materials: Internet-enabled device (smartphone or computer), “Genki” textbook Chapter 1 vocabulary list, notebook and pen or digital document for recording.

Language Skills to Practice: Forming and writing question sentences in Japanese using vocabulary from “Genki” Ch.1, including interrogative patterns with **です** and **ですか**.

Required Time: Approximately 1 hour.

Detailed Steps:

1. **Review Vocabulary (5 minutes):** Open the “Genki” Ch.1 vocabulary list. Familiarize yourself with words such as **です**, **ですか**, **じゃありません**, country names (e.g., **アメリカ**, **にほん**), occupations (e.g., **がくせい**, **せんせい**), and other terms from the chapter. Ensure you can construct basic question sentences.

2. **Online Research (25 minutes):** Use the internet to search for Japanese-related places, organizations, or events in New York City. Examples include:

- Websites of Japanese cultural centers (e.g., Japan Society New York: <https://www.japansociety.org/>).
- Online directories for Japanese restaurants, shops, or community groups in NYC.
- Social media pages or news articles featuring Japanese language or culture in the city.

Focus on finding names of people (e.g., staff, members) or descriptions that can be linked to Ch.1 vocabulary, such as nationalities or occupations.

3. **Create Question Sentences (20 minutes):** Based on your research, write 10 original question sentences in Japanese. Use only vocabulary from “Genki” Ch.1. For each question, reference a specific person or detail from your research. Examples:

- たなかさんはにほんじんですか。
- このかたはせんせいですか。
- スミスさんはアメリカじんですか。
- あのがくせいはちゅうごくからきましたか。

Ensure questions are grammatically correct and contextually relevant to your findings.

4. **Compile Deliverable (10 minutes):** Organize your work into a single document. Include:

- The list of 10 question sentences in Japanese.
- For each question, note the source (e.g., website URL or brief description of the place/person).

Save the document as a PDF or text file for submission. The deliverable is this compiled document.