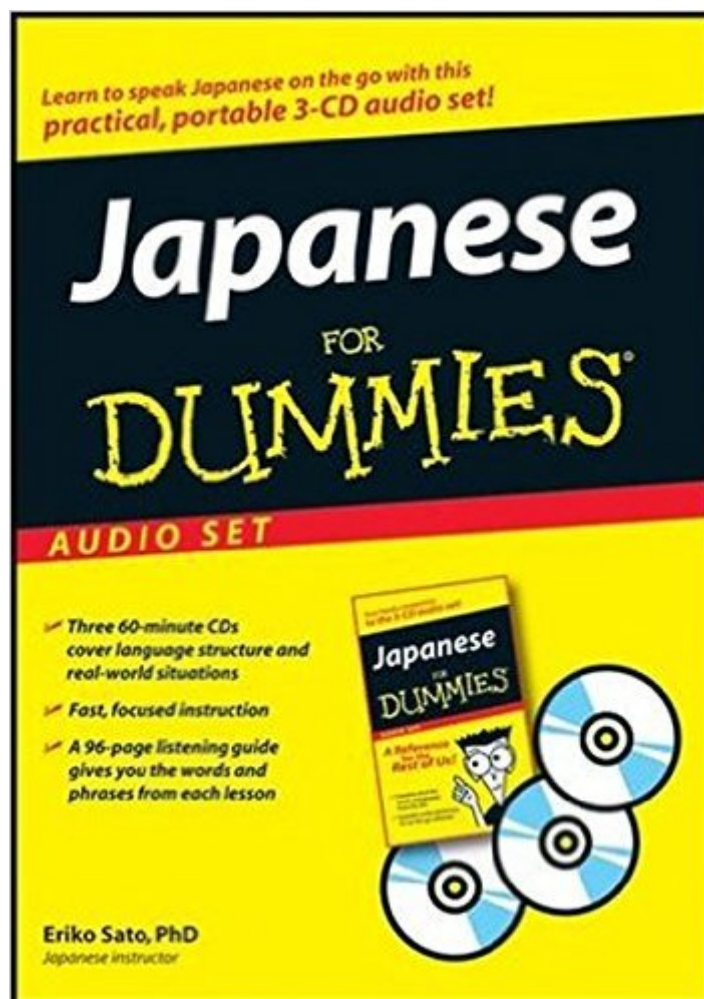


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# Japanese For Dummies Audio Set



## Synopsis

Want to speak Japanese? Don't have a lot of time? Japanese For Dummies Audio Set is designed to help you learn quickly and easily at home or on the road. From basic greetings and expressions to grammar and conversations, you'll grasp the essentials and start communicating right away. This completely practical, portable learning system lets you set your own pace and skip around to explore topics that interest. Three one-hour CDs introduce the basics of Japanese, get you familiar with the language structure, and prepare you to use the language in real-world situations. You can play them on any car or home stereo, copy them to your computer, and load the pre-converted files onto your mp3 to play them wherever and whenever you want. A 96-page compact guide helps you find your way around the CDs and handy Japanese/English dictionary for quick reference on the go. You'll discover how to:

- Begin communicating in Japanese on a basic level
- Handle greetings and introductions
- Ask questions and understand the answers
- Build your vocabulary
- Talk about numbers, time, and the calendar
- Ask for directions
- Order a meal at a restaurant
- Understand Japanese parts of speech
- Form complete sentences and converse in Japanese

If you're ready to start speaking Japanese, Japanese For Dummies Audio Set is the most effective, convenient, and friendliest tool you can use.

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This is a great product in spite of me giving it a 3 star review. I gave it 3 stars for 2 reasons #1 - It is grossly inadequate in terms of content. 3CD's are way too short #2 - It is not socially correct at times. Example. "I" in Japanese, they use "Watashi". What they don't point out is that's a feminine

reference for women referring to themselves. Men say "Boku" when saying "I". I've had conversations with friends who are Japanese immigrants to the U.S who talk about funny experiences listening to American men speak Japanese who say "Watashi" because it makes them come across as sounding gay in the homosexual sense. It won't clarify Nana and Shichi both mean Seven, and it won't clarify any other technical nuances. It's worth knowing a little Japanese before you pick this up but it's a start over anything and it's well worth it. I've done a little Rosetta stone and have been teaching myself off and on; despite the boring nature of this CD, it has helped a lot. I've listened to all the CD's countless times and I skip back and forth randomly. I'll listen to the 1st CD 10 times, go through the others 10 times, and go back to the first one and repeat a single track 10 times because I realized what it is teaching more and more, or I notice a lesson being taught I don't remember hearing before even though I listened to it 10 times. Break up the monotony to give yourself the attention to catch the lessons and the nuances of the language. It's worth a start, but don't expect to be able to use it in any social setting. You will still have the language skills of a brick no matter how much you listen to it. A word of caution: Do not think of yourself as a dummy. Otherwise you will never learn anything.

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