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Once a month language-focused newsletter designed for both new and seasoned Japanese learners to use as a resource for study.

Let's study! 勉強(べんきょう)しましょう!

今月の漢字

going

行

訓読み: いく, ゆく,
おこなう
音読み: コウ, ギョウ



6 strokes

Associated Common Words

- 行事 (ぎょうじ) - event
- 旅行 (りょこう) する - to travel
- 行為 (こうい) - act, deed

History of Kanji 行



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四字熟語 - よじじゅくご (4 Character Idiom)

ゆうげんじっこう

有言実行

Being as good as one's word; making good on one's promise

Example

みんなの前で JLPT1級に合格すると言ったので一生懸命勉強して、「有言実行」してみせようと思う。

Minna no mae de JLPT1 kyuu ni goukaku suru to itta no de isshoukenmei benkyou shite, **"yuugenjikkou"** shite miseyou to omou.

Because I said that I would pass the JLPT1 exam in front of everyone, I will study my hardest in order to show that I make good on my promises.

ことわざ (proverb)

い やす おこな かつ
言うは易く行うは難し

Easier said than done (lit. saying is easy, doing is hard)

Example

私がこの売り上げ目標を立てた。「言うは易く行うは難し」と言われないうちに、目標達成に向かって頑張るぞ。

Watashi ga kono uriage mokuhyou wo tateta. **"Iu wa yasuku okonau wa katashi"** to iwarenai you ni, mokuhyoutassei ni mukatte ganbaru zo.

I set this sales goal. In order to avoid being told "easier said than done," I will do my best to achieve my goal.



日本を旅しよう! -Exploring Japan- 大阪府 (おおさかふ) - Osaka Prefecture

Fast facts!

- Osaka Prefecture lies at the center of the Kansai region and is the second-most densely populated area in the country after Tokyo
- The prefecture has the largest Korean population in all of Japan
- The capital city, Osaka, is a large port city and commercial center and has historically been considered Japan's economic hub
- The city is home to the Osaka Exchange, the headquarters of companies such as Panasonic and Sharp, and is an international center of research and development represented by several major universities
- Osaka is known for its food, shopping, and entertainment, including places like the **Shinsekai neighborhood**
- For more information about Osaka, check out our [June 2022 issue!](#)



Dialect Discovery

大阪弁 - おおさかべん

- あかん (akan; don't, no good) ダメ
- まいど (maido; hello) こんにちは
- おもしろい (omoroi; interesting) おもしろい
- ちゃう (chau; differ/be incorrect) 違(ちが)う

To read about JET Monica Narang's experience living and teaching in Osaka Prefecture, [click here!](#)



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Mount Kongō - 金剛山 (こんごうさん)

Mount Kongō is a part of the Kongō-Katsuragi mountain range located between Ōsaka and Nara Prefectures. It boasts several beautiful views, as well as sites of historical significance such as Chihaya Castle, where the warrior Kusunoki Masashige (who resisted the Kamakura shōgunate) was based.

クイズタイム!

1. 学校にバス () 行きます。

I go to school by bus.

a. と b. で c. に

2. 今日は () 来てくれてありがとう。

Thank you for coming all the way here today.

a. せっかく b. 特に c. わざわざ

3. 大晦日はたいてい『 () 年くる年』をテレビで見ながら、

家族で年越しします。

a. 去る b. ゆく c. 出る

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☆クリスマスの伝統

When you think of Christmas, fast food might not be the first thing that comes to mind, but for the people of Japan, the images of Christmas and KFC Chicken go hand in hand! Why is this so? It turns out that in the 1970s, the first Japanese KFC manager, Okawara Takeshi, thought up this Christmas advertising campaign for expatriates who couldn't find turkey to eat during the holiday season. To this day, around Christmas, one can find statues of Colonel Sanders in a bright red Santa outfit!

Year-End Holidays Vocabulary! - 年末年始の単語

師走 (しわす) - December

忘年会 (ぼうねんかい) - Year-end party

お歳暮 (おせいぼ) - Year-end gift

大掃除 (おおそうじ) - Year-end cleaning

すす払い (すすはらい) - Housecleaning

大晦日 (おおみそか) - New Year's Eve

年越しそば (としこしそば) - New Year's Eve soba

除夜の鐘 (じょやのかね) - New Year's Eve bell

初詣 (はつもうで) - First shrine visit of the year

お正月 (おしょうがつ) - New Year period

元旦 (がんとん) - New Year's Day morning

お年玉 (おとしだま) - New Year's money gift



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どうぞよいお年をお迎えください!