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Lecture: 21

Ikka-getsu de dekimasu
ーヶ月 で 出来ます
I can do it in one month

Konnichiwa/こんにちば(FL) and welcome to the class in the second lecture series on iIntroduction to Japanese Lianguage and eCulture. So, today's class is a continuation of the previous class and in the previous class we did potential form for group 1 and group 2. So, now this time we are going to do for group 3 which has two verbs and you know that it is suru/t3(FL) and suru/t3(FL). So, let us see what we have today and what all we are going to do with these two verbs. Now I have your susya4(FL) and you listen to the susya4(FL) and see what all you can understand.

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Kaiwa / 会話

(FL)

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Rao: Watashi wa raigetsu Nihon e ikimasu.

Mira: Ii desu ne. Doshite ureshiku nai desu ka?

Rao: Jitsu wa, Nihongo o hanasu koto ga dekimasen.

Mira: Ja, ima kara Nihongo o benkyoushite kudasai. Ikkagetsu ni sukoshi gurai wa dekimasu yo.

Watashi wa 'Ikkagetsu de Nihongo o naraimashou'

to iu hon o motte imasu. Sono hon o Rao san ni

agemasu. Desukara, shinpai arimasen.

Rao: Arigatou gozaimasu.

Mira: Gambatte ne!

So, you just heard the *kaiwa* / 会話(FL) between *Rao*(FL) and *Mira*(FL). So, let us see what it is. I will go to Japan next month. So, this is an expression which you have done a number of times that is really good. *Doushite ureshikunai desu ka* / どうして うれしくない で オ か?(FL) Over here *demo* / でも could also have been used but why are you not happy? Now *ureshii* / うれしい(FL) is an adjective and how do you make negative of *uresshii* / うれしい(FL)? Remove the *i* / い(FL) and put *ku arimasen* / く ありません (FL) we have done this earlier.

Now why is nai/ない(FL) over here? Nai/ない(FL) is plain form for arimasen/ありません(FL). So, now we have to use it in plain form because desu/です this is over here. So, doushite/どうして(FL) is why; doushite ureshikunai desu ka/どうして うれしくないです カシ(FL) yYou can make it for other adjectives also akai/あかい, takai/たかい(FL) and remove the i/v(FL) and put  $ku/\langle$ (FL) and nai/ない(FL). So, that makes a negative for adjectives. Jitsu wa/じつ は、(FL) actually speaking if I have to tell you the truth; the truth is that so, that is what Jitsu wa/じつ は、(FL) means. So, why is he depressed or not happy because he cannot speak in Japanese.

Now this is what we are going to do over here. So, if you do not know Japanese ja/じゃ (FL) in that case then in that case well  $ima\ kara/$ 今から、(FL) from now  $nihongo\ o$   $benkyou\ shite\ kudasai/日本語 を 勉強 して ください、please(FL) start studying Japanese. <math>Ikkagetsu\ ni/-ヶ月$  に、(FL) in a span of 30 days; ikkagetsu/-ヶ月 one

month; so you have done this book, hon/本(FL) which is called ikkagetsu de Nihongo o naraimashou/一ヶ月 で 日本語 を ならいましょう, this hon watashi wa motte imasu/本 私 は 持って います. Sono hon ni Rao ni san agemasu/その 本 に ラオ さん に 上げます、(FL) I will give it to you, this ni/に(FL) over here is 'to'. Desukara/ですから、(FL) so shinpai arimasen/心配 ありません、(FL) you do not have to worry anymore and Rao san(FL) says arigatou gozaimasu/ありがとう ございます. (FL) Hhe could have also said sore wa ii desu ne., arigatou gozaimasu/それ は いい です ね。ありがとう ございます. Gambatte ne/がんばって ね、(FL) you have done gambatte/がんばって(FL) a number of times.

So, informal because they are both friends,  $ganbatte\ ne/$ がんばって ね(FL) work hard at your Japanese.  $Ikkagetsu\ de\ sukoshi\ gurai\ wa\ dekimasu\ yo/ーヶ月 で 少し ぐらい は できます よ,(FL) So, they should (FL) you will be able to learn a little in a span of 30 days or one month.$ 

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ラオ: 私は 来月 日本 に いきます。

ミラ: いい です ね。でも、 どして うれしくない ですか?

ラオ: じつは、日本語 が はなせません から です。

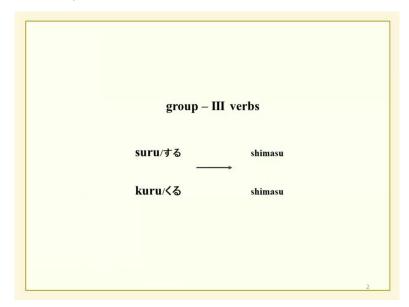
ミラ: じゃ、今 から 日本語 を 勉強して ください。 ーケ月 に 少し ぐらい が できます よ。 私は 'ーケ月 で 日本語 を ならいましょう'と 言う 本 を 持っています。 その 本 を ラオさん に あげます。 ですから、 心配 しないで ね。

ラオ: ありがとう ございます。

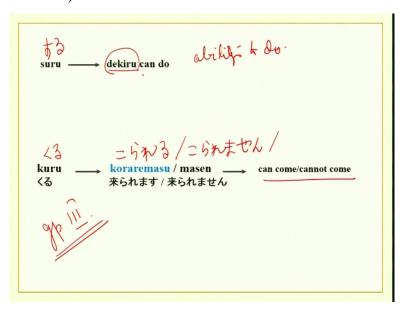
ミラ: がんばって ね!

Now this is in your script, watashi/私 kanji(FL) is there; raigetsu/来月, nihon/日本, (FL) then you have Nihongo/日本語(FL) these kanji(FL) keep coming up again and again so, it is always better. There is sukoshi/少し(FL) over here sukoshi/少し(FL) means little it shows quantity. And then you have shinpai/心配, iu/言う(FL) you. So, all these are there practice this kanji. So, that you are able to read fluently.

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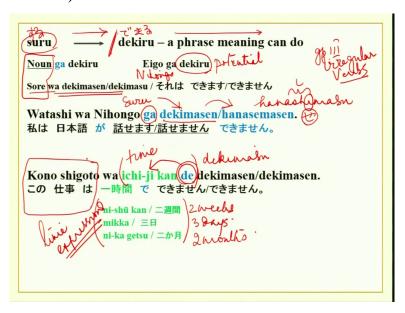


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Now the potential form for *suru*/ する(**FL**) is *dekiru*/ できる(**FL**) which means can do and *kuru*/ くる(**FL**) changes to what *kuru*/ くる(**FL**) changes to *korareru*/こられる(**FL**) in potential form, which means I can come I have the ability to come. So, now in our last lesson we learned noun *ga dekiru*/ ができる(**FL**) for example *Nihongo ga dekiru*/ 日本語 ができる(**FL**). Now let us see some sentences and see how it is done.

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So, suru/fる(FL) as I just now told you is dekiru/できる(FL) and these are group 3 irregular verbs; why they are irregular? Because you can see from suru(FL) that it does not have anything to do with suru/fる(FL) the verb itself changes. So,  $noun\ ga\ dekiru/ができる. Nihongo\ ga\ dekiru/日本語 ができる, I have the ability to speak in Japanese. <math>Eigo\ ga\ dekiru/英語$ ができる(FL). So, I can speak in English, I have the ability or the potential to speak in English. Now sore is a pronoun, so, again same thing;  $sore\ wa\ dekimasu$ /それ はできます. You could point at something or somebody has asked you and you are saying  $sore\ wa\ dekimasen/それ$ はできません(FL) I am unable to do this activity.

For example gorufu ga dekimasu ka/ゴルフ が できます か? Iie, gorufu ga dekimasen/レルえ、ゴルフ が できません.(FL) you have a lot of examples today. So, watashi wa Nihongo ga dekimasen/私 は 日本語 が できません,(FL) it is similar to watashi wa Nihongo ga hanasemasen/私 は にほんご が 話せません, (FL) now the important part over here is that we have <math>ga/が(FL) for potential form. In this case we just change the i/V over here and make it because it is shie it is a syllable. So, we just put a seay over here and it becomes potential form in case of suru/t S(FL) we change the verb itself. Now you can see kono shigoto wa ichi-jikan de dekimasu/この 仕事 は 一時間 で できます or <math>dekimasen/できません.(FL) why de/Cthev over here?

Because within this period of time kono shigoto wa dekimasen/この 仕事 は できません(FL).

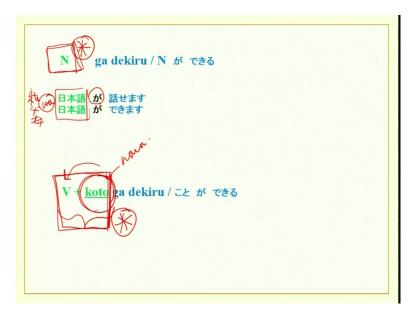
Similar to this one sore wa dekimasen/それ は できません(FL) or kono shigoto wa dekimasen/この 仕事 は できません(FL) but if we put time over here, then what happens? Ichi-jikan de/一時間 で、(FL) ean they within that allotted time within that time period. So, instead of ichi-jiakn/一時間、(FL) now you can have any time expression these are time expressions we have done them. So, ni-shuu kan de dekimasen/二週間 で できません、mikka de dekimasen/三月 で できません、(FL) three days; ni-shuukan/二週間(FL) is two weeks three days and ni-ka getsu/二ヶ月(FL) is two months. So, kono shigoto/この 仕事(FL) could be replaced with organizing conference or preparing a paper writing an essay anything. And you can give I can do or I cannot do in a certain period of time using particle de/で(FL).

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Now if we add the noun *koto*/こと to *dekiru*/できる, *verb* + *koto ga dekiru*/こと ができる(FL) is similar in meaning to the potential form done in lesson 20. *Koto*/こと(FL) is a noun and when it joins with a verb it turns into a noun phrase and then it can replace the noun in the *noun ga dekiru*/ができる(FL) pattern.

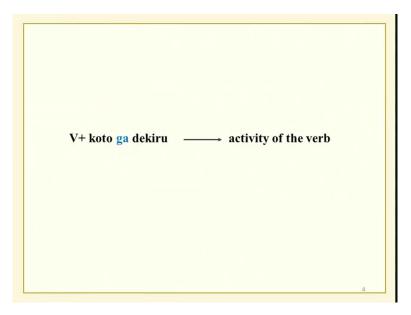
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So, Nihongo ga dekiru/日本語 が できる, gorufu ga dekiru/ゴルフ が できる, saikuringu ga dekiru/サイクリング が できる(FL) it could be anyone it could be watashi/私(FL) or it could be chichi or haha/母(FL) anyone wa/は(FL) something ga dekiru/が できる. So, watashi wa Nihongo ga hanasemasu/私 は 日本語 が 話 せます、(FL) now when I add koto/こと(FL) to this verb over here, what happens? So, it shows that this part becomes a noun phrase can be used as a noun and the rest remains the same ga dekiru/が できる. (FL) so, you will see noun which is over here and if we have verb plus koto/こと(FL) this koto/こと(FL) which is a noun itself this word and is added to the verb then these two make a noun phrase.

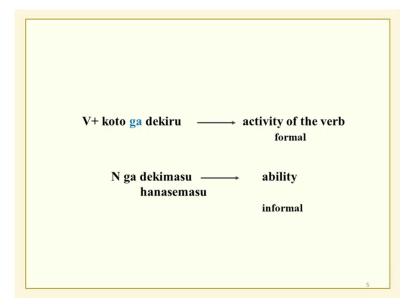
Meaning remains the same with this and this and this, the meaning remains the same; grammatically yes they are a little different but meaning wise it does not change. Now where it changes and what happens? I will tell you right now.

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Verb plus *koto ga dekiru*/こと が できる (FL) basically means the activity of the verb you could say it shows that the speaker has the ability to do what the verb is saying. Well the difference between noun *ga dekiru*/が できる and (FL) verb plus *koto ga dekiru*/こと が できる(FL).

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Is that noun  $ga\ dekiru/\pi^3$   $\mathcal{C} \not= \mathcal{S}(FL)$  is very, very informal you could use it with friends informally casually it is more colloquial whereas verb plus  $koto\ ga\ dekiru/\mathcal{C} \not= \pi^3$   $\mathcal{C} \not= \mathcal{S}(FL)$  is more polite and formal and to be used with seniors and in very formal situations. You have a lot of examples today. So, you can practice with those.

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V(dic. form) + koto ga dekiru - shows ability to perform an activity.
  Shows that Noun can do Verb.
  Particles 'wa and ga' are used in this construction.
  N wa (V plain) + koto ga dekimasu.)
   hanasu / 話す
                    koto ga dekiru
taberu / 食べる
 Nihongo ga hanasemasu / 日本語 が 話せます。
 Nihongo o hanasu koto ga) dekiru/日本語 を 話す事 が できます。
 Nihongo no shinbun ga yomemasu / 日本語 の 新聞 が よめる。
 Nihongo no shinbuh o yomu koto ga dekiru.
 日本語の新聞を 読むことが できる。
   oveder
 Ichinichi de kono shousetsu o yomu koto ga dekinai.
 一日 で この 小説 を 読む こと が できません。
 Urusai node koko de benkyou suru koto ga / dekimasen.
 うるさい ので ここで 勉強 する こと が できません。
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The important part over here is that in this construction wa/は(FL) and ga/が(FL) both are used. So, you have noun wa/は、watashi wa/私 は(FL) verb in plain form plus koto ga dekimasu/ことができます。(FL) you can very well understand; why it is in plain form over here? Because we have a verb in masu/ます。form write at the end. So, you can see hanasu koto ga dekiru/話すことができる; taberu koto ga dekiru/食べることができる(FL). So, what taberu koto ga dekiru/たべることができる? Niku wa taberu koto ga dekimasu/肉は食べることができます。Nihongo o hanasu koto ga dekimasu/日本語を話すことができます。(FL) I can speak; I can eat meat. Now you can see these examples, Nnihongo ga hanasemasu/日本語が話せます。(FL) again and again the same constructions are coming you can of course use them with other verbs as well.

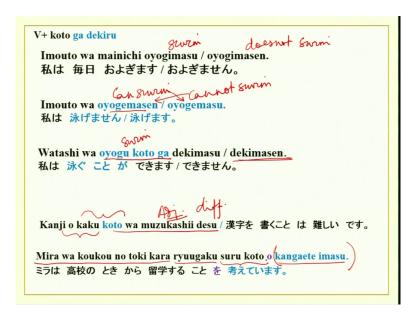
This is just to make it very clear in your minds; how it is used and what particles are going to be used where. So, Nihongo ga hanasemasu/日本語 が 話せます. Dare/だれ? Watashi wa Nihongo ga hanasemasu/私 は 日本語 が 話せます(FL). So, you will see ga/が(FL) is being used Nihongo o hanasu koto ga dekimasu/日本語 を 話すこと が できます(FL). So, this activity of talking; what? Nihongo/日本語,(FL) basically meaning is the same but grammatically it is a little different construction wise. So, hanasu koto ga dekimasu/話す こと が できます(FL) somewhere I have put it in

plain form, some places I am using masu/  $\sharp$   $\dagger$  s-form the reason here is just to show that these two mean exactly the same.

And can be used in exactly the same manner only the level of politeness degree of politeness varies this is informal and this of course is formal. So, remember masu/ますs— form is always formal and the plain form is more informal to be used with friends. So, *Nihongo o hanasu koto ga dekimasu*/日本語 を 話す こと が できます. **(FL)** Tthis act of talking in Japanese this activity of talking in Japanese I can do or I am able to do basically meaning I can talk in Japanese.

So, now Nihongo no shinbun ga yomemasu/日本語 の 新聞 が よめます, simple construction noun ga/が verb in potential form; nohongo ga yomeru/日本語 が 読める、(FL) again I have put plain form over here. So, Nnihongo no shinbun o yomu koto ga/日本語 の 新聞 を 読む こと が;(FL) so, I can read the paper in Japanese basically that activity of reading paper in Japanese I can do I have the ability to do. Ichi-nichi de/一日 で, in one day; ichi-nichi/一日 - one day; one day de kono shousetsu o yomu koto ga dekinai/で こと 小説 を 読む こと が できない;(FL) they I cannot read this novel in one day. So, span time span, time span with particle de/で(FL). Urusai node koko de benkyou suru koto ga dekimasen/うるさい ので ここ で 勉強 する こと が できません. Urusai/うるさい(FL) it is very, very noisy, node/ので、they again kara/から(FL) can be used as equal to node/ので(FL) only it is more polite; benkyou suru koto ga dekimasen/勉強 する こと が できません, tike (FL) I cannot study over here.

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Then you can see *imouto wa mainichi oyogimasu*/妹 は 毎日 泳ぎます、(FL) or (FL) swim she swims or *oyogimasen*/およぎません(FL) she does not swim. Instead of *imouto* /妹(FL) again you can use any noun that you want *imouto wa oyogemasu*/妹 は 泳げます(FL) can swim and cannot swim. So, this is over here and this is over here, then *watashi wa oyogu koto ga dekimasu*/私 は 泳ぐ こと が できます(FL) or *dekimasen*/できません basically I can swim and cannot swim *oyogu koto*/およぐ こと(FL) the activity of swimming I can do or cannot do. Now, *kanji o kaku koto wa muzukashii desu*/漢字を書くことはむずかしいです;(FL) now you will see something different over here same construction kanji *o kaku koto*/漢字 を書くこと(FL) the activity of writing kanji *wa muzukashii desu*/は むずかしいです(FL).

So, we cannot change that there is no potential or ability shown over here, it is just simple that kanji o kaku koto wa muzukashii desu/漢字 を 書く こと が むずかしい です,(FL) this it is difficult. So, you can see it can also be used with adjectives. Now Mira wa koukou no toki kara/ミラ は 高校 の とき から,(FL) from the time of high school ryuugaku suru o kangaete imasu/留学 する を 考えて います. (FL) Sshe has been thinking of going out for studies; ryuugaku/りゅうがく(FL) is foreign studies, suru koto o kangaete imasu/する こと を かんがえています; there is no dekimasen/できません over here. (FL) So, you can use this construction in a lot of ways with adjectives with te/で(FL) form of the verb with different verbs.

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So, somebody is giving a pencil, what is it? Rao wa hiragana o yomu koto ga dekimasu/ラオなん は ひらがな を 読む こと が できます, he can read, demo, kaku koto ga dekimasenu/でも、書く こと が できませんす them. (FL) So, she is giving the pencil for him to practice. Rao wa hiragana o yomu koto/ラオ は ひらがな を 読む こと,(FL) he can read but cannot write. Rao wa hiragana ga suki desu/ラオ は ひらがな が 好き です, (FL) can also be used he likes reading hiragana; hiragana ga yomemasu/ひらがな が 読めます(FL) instead of yomu/読む; hiragana o yomimasu/ひらがな を 読みます,(FL) he reads he can read, yomemasu/読めます; ga suki desu/が すき です; ga/が will come over here with suki/好き(FL) because you are stating something, ga suki desu/が 好き です. Now instead of demo/でも(FL) you

can also use  $kedo/lf \mathcal{E}(FL)$  and join the sentence. This is sentence one and this is sentence two with  $kedo/lf \mathcal{E}(FL)$  you can join, with  $demo/\mathcal{E}(FL)$  you have to start another sentence to show contrast.

Rao wa hiragana o yomu koto ga dekiru kedo, kaku koto ga dekinai / ラオ は ひらがな を 読む こと が できる けど、書く こと が できない. (FL) sSame meaning but using another conjunction which is very, very informal over here it is more colloquial so kedo / けど、demo / でも(FL) is more formal.

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Watashi no shumi wa cycling desu 私の しゅみ は サイクリング です My hobby is cycling

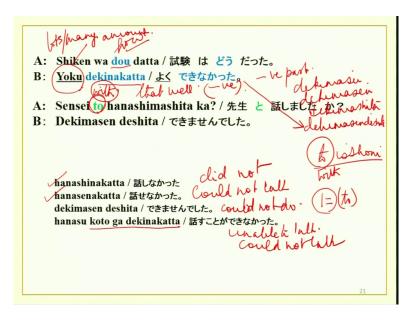
Now you have done *shumi*/しゅみ**(FL)** in your last series and maybe during revision I have told you about *shumi*/しゅみ**(FL)** for example *watashi no shumi wa saikuringu desu*/私のしゅみはサイクリングですor *watashi no shumi wa suugaku desu*/私のしゅみは数学ですor *watashi no shumi wa yachoukansatsu desu*/私のしゅみは やちょうかんさつです。**(FL)** eyeling this or **(FL)** or **(FL)** Yachoukansatsu/やちょうかんさつ which is bird watching.

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So, let us see what we have here—; shashin/写真(FL) is photographs I like taking photographs. (FL) So, taking pictures she likes. So, Mira(FL) likes taking pictures - shashin o toru koto ga suki desu /写真 を とる こと が 好き です. Wwatashi wa shashin o toru koto ga dekimasen/私 は 写真 を とる こと が できません(FL) I cannot take pictures. (FL) So, cannot take pictures; who? Watashi /私, watashi /私(FL) can again be replaced over here by any noun basically name, tomodachi / 友達, otousan /お父 さん, okaasan / お母さん, sensei / 先生, any one(FL). Now we have shashin o toru koto wa /写真 を とる こと は、(FL) this activity is watashi no shumi /私 の しゆみ, (FL) my hobby, I like doing, I have an interest in. Wwatashi no shumi desu /私 の しゆみ です(FL) or watashi no shumi wa shashin o toru koto desu /私 の しゆみ は 写真 を とる こと です; (FL) both ways you can use it both sentences are correct.

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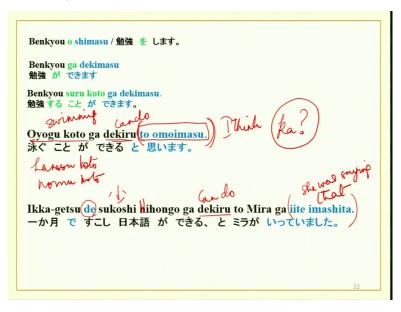


Now look at this shiken wa dou datta/試験 は どう だった; dou/どう(FL) though is how; dou datta/どう だった. Yoku dekinakatta/よく できなかった; negative past negative; dekimasu/できます, dekimasen/できません, dekimashita/できました, dekimasen deshita/できませんでした(FL) So, the plain form is dekinakatta/できなかった(FL) and yoku/よく(FL) you have done, yoku/よく(FL) means not to that extent over here, otherwise yoku/よく(FL) means lots or many showing amount you have done in lesson 20. So, yoku/よく dekinakatta/できなかった,(FL) has a negative meaning over here I could not do that well or that much. Now sensei to hanashimashita ka/先生 と 話しました か? Dekimasen deshita/できませんでした,(FL) I could not talk to sensei/先生;(FL) you have a to/と(FL) over here, now you have done to issho ni/と 一緒 に;(FL) can someone tell me, what to means over here? Well it means with, watashi wa tomodachi to issho ni pikunikku ni ikimashita/私 は 友だち と一緒に ピクニックに 行きました. (FL) pienie Went with my friend.

So, sensei to hanashimashita/先生 と 話しました,(FL) over here means with sensei/ 先生, sensei to hanashimashita/先生 と 話しました;(FL) I talked with sensei/先生 (FL). So, two people were participating in the conversation you were talking and he was advising. Now if I say sensei ni hanashimashita/先生 に 話しました(FL). So, over here you were talking and sensei was just listening; tomodachi ni hanashimashita/友だち に 話しました; tomodachi ni iimashita/友だち に 言いました,(FL) I told him something and he listened to; tomodachi to hanashimashita/友だち と 話しました, (FL) there was interaction between two people. Then hanashinakatta/話しなかった(FL) did not talk; hanasenakatta/話しなかった(FL) could not talk, did not; then dekimasen deshita/できませんでした(FL) could not do and then hanasu koto ga dekimasen deshita/話す こと が できません でした(FL) I was unable to talk or could not talk.

You can see the difference now in all of these. Practice this with other verbs and you will understand it better.

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Now look at this benkyou shimasu/勉強 します(FL) I study; benkyou ga dekimasu/勉強 が できます(FL) I can study; bekyou suru koto ga dekimasu/勉強 する ことが できます(FL) this activity of studying I can do now; oyogu koto ga dekiru to omoimasu/泳ぐ こと が できる と 思います,(FL) you have done I think I can. So, dekiru /できる(FL) can do, what activity? Oyogu koto/泳ぐ こと(FL) swimming and to omoimasu/と 思います(FL) is I think I think I can swim. You have done it with hanasu koto/話す こと; you can do nomu koto/飲む こと, to omoimasu/と 思います(FL). If you want to ask someone oyogu koto ga dekimasu ka/泳ぐ こと が できますか?(FL) then this has to be used particle ka/か(FL). Now you can practice it with your partner then, ikkagetsu de sukoshi Nihongo ga dekiru to Mira san ga itte imashita/一ヶ月で 少し 日本語 が できる と ミラさん が 言って いました(FL). So.

we just did *de* / で they within that span, *sukoshi* / 少し**(FL)** a little **(FL)** a little *nihongo ga dekiru* / 日本語 が できる**(FL)** can do, *to Mira ga itte imashita* / と ミラ が 言って いました we have also done this.

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A: Kondo no kinyoubi wa yasumi desu. Nani o shimasu ka? こんど の 金曜日 は 休み です。なに を します か?

\*\*Terebi o miru-minai / テレビ を 見る-みない。

\*\*Nanimo shimasen / shite imasen / なにも しません/していません。

\*\*Eiga o mitai-mitakunai / 映画を 見たい - たくない。

\*\*Nanimo shitakunai desu / なにも したくない です。

Now let us go back to our dialogue in lesson 20 where we have used *nanimo*/なにも(FL). So, what does *nanimo*/なにも(FL) mean *nani*/なに(FL) plus *mo*/も?(FL). So, well when you join this question word *nani*/なに(FL) plus *mo*/も(FL) the meaning is in negative the verb at the end will always be in negative and the meaning is nothing; *nanimo* tabemasen/なにも 食べません。(FL) I will not eat anything. *Nanimo mimasen*/なにも 見ません(FL) I will not see anything. So, you have these examples over here.

Gozen-chuu kurasu ga aru kedo nanimo nai node, ikeru to omoimasu/午前中 クラスが ある けど なにも ない ので、いける と 思います.(FL) So, this was the sentence where nanimo/なにも(FL) is given and you can see nai node/ない ので、because there is nothing thus I think I will be able to come. Now nani o nomimasu ka?/何を 飲みます か?(FL) wWhat will you have? Juice o nomimasu/ジュウス を

飲みます. Nani o tabemasu ka/何 を 食べます か? Pizza o tabemasu/ピザ を たべます. (FL) So, what will you eat or drink? So, you can answer accordingly. Now nanimo tabemasen/なにも 食べません,(FL) I will not eat anything or nothing nanimo tabemasen/なにも 食べません, nanimo nomimasen/なにも 飲みません. So, now you will see that after nanimo/なにも, o/を(FL) is not used. Well o/を(FL) is optional you may use may not use generally o/を(FL) is not used.

Kimochi wa wakaru kedo, nanimo dekimasen/気持ち は わかる けど、なにも できません,(FL) Cannot do, nanimo/なにも(FL) is nothing. So, kimochi/きもち(FL) is feeling wa wakaru kedo/は わかる けど,though I understand but nanimo dekimasen/なにも できません I-(FL) unable to do anything, it is a feeling of regret. Nanimo shimasen/なにも しません,(FL) I will not do anything; nanimo kakimasen/なにも 書きません,(FL) I will not write anything; nanimo hanashimasen/なにも 話しません(FL). So, you can use nanimo/なにも(FL) like this with different verbs with negative.

Now, kondo no nichiyoubi wa yasumi desu/今度 の 日曜日 は 休み です. Nani o shimasu ka/何 を します か? Terebi o miru/テレビ を 見る,(FL) I will watch TV; terebi o minai/テレビ を 見ない,(FL) I will not watch TV; then, nanimo shimasen/なにも しません(FL) I will not do anything. Kondo no nichiyoubi wa yasumi desu/今度 の 日曜日 は 休み です. Nani o shimasu ka/何 を します か? One answer could be nanimo shimasen/なにも しません(FL) I will not do anything; not do anything.

Now you have something very interesting over here, what is this? Nanimo shimasen/なにもしません(FL) I will not do anything; nanimo shite imasen/なにもしていません(FL) I have not done anything. So, someone can ask you; what have you done? Nanimo shite imasen/なにもしていません(FL) I have not done anything it is not my fault. Eiga o mitai/映画を見たい/mitakunai/見たくない(FL) I want to see; want to see and do not want to see. So, I am giving you these examples again and again for you to understand better. Nanimo shitakunai/なにもしたくない(FL) or nani o shimasu ka/何をし

ます か,**(FL)** I do not want to do anything on a Sunday or on a *yasumi* / 休み**(FL)** day a holiday. I hope this is clear now.

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Rao san wa kanji o kakimasu.
カきます。
Rao san wa kanji o kakimasen.
カきません。
Rao san wa kanji o kakitai desu.
ラオさん は 漢字 を 書きたい です。
Rao san wa kanji o kakitakunai desu.
ラオさん は 漢字 を 書きたくない です。
Rao san kanji o kakimashou.
ラオさん、漢字 を かきましょう。

So, now I have written a lot of forms that you have covered so far. So, we will just compare these forms and see what they mean and how they are used? Rao san wa kanji o kakimasu/ラオさん は 漢字 を 書きます; Rao san(FL) writes kanji; Rao san wa kanji o kakimasen/ラオさん は 漢字 を かきません., Rao san(FL) does not write kanji. Then Rao san wa kanji o kakitai/ラオさん は 漢字 を 書きたい, Rao san(FL) wants to write kanji; Rao san wa kanji o kakitakunai/ラオさん は 漢字 を 書きたくない (FL) does not want to write. We have done this construction a number of times, we are just comparing this part. Rao san, kanji o kakimashou/ラオさん, 漢字 を 書きましょう, Rao san let's write(FL) kanji. Oer Rao san kanji o kakimashou ka/ラオさん 漢字 を 書きましょう か, shall we write kanji.(FL) let us it is right kanji (FL) we write kanji.

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Rao san kanji ga kakemasu.
ラオさん 漢字 が かけません。

Rao san wa kanji o kaku koto ga dekimasu / dekimasen.
ラオさん は 漢字 を 書く こと が できます / できません。

Rao san wa kanji o kaku koto ga dekiru to omoimasu.
ラオさん は 漢字 を 書く こと が できる と 思います。

Then there is still more Rao san wa kanji o kaita hou ga ii / ラオさん は 漢字 を 書いた ほう が いい、(FL) it is better for you to write kanji; then, Hana ima asobanai hou ga ii / 花 今 遊ばない ほう が いい、(FL) it is better that you do not play now. So, negative do not play, again practice for hou ga /ほう が(FL) same thing here in negative as well, earlier one was past Rao san kanji o kaita hou ga ii to omoimasu / ラオさん 漢字 を 書いた ほう が いい と 思います。(FL) I think that it is better that you write in or write kanji. Then ashita hayai node, ima terebi o minai hou ga ii to omoimasu / 明日 早い ので、今 テレビ を 見ない ほう が いい と 思います。(FL) I think it is better that you do not watch tv as it is going to be very early tomorrow. Rao san wa kanji o kaite imasu / ラオさん は 漢字 を 書いています。(FL) Hhe is writing it is in present continuous. Rao san, koko ni kanji o kaite kudasai / ラオさん、ここ に 漢字 を 書いて 下さい。(FL) Pplease write kanji over here.

Then Rao san kanji o kaite mite kudasai/ラオさん 漢字 を 書いて みて ください,(FL) kanji okay meet a (FL) Rao san, please write and see; Rao san wa kanji ga kakemasu /ラオさん は 漢字 が 書けます,(FL) he can write; then Rao san wa kanji o kaku koto ga dekimasu/ラオさん は 漢字 を 書く こと が できます,(FL)Hーhe has the ability to write in Japanese it could also be the dekimasen/できません(FL) in negative.

-Then Rao san wa kanji o kaku koto ga dekiru to omoimasu/ラオさん は 漢字 を書く こと が できる と 思います、(FL) I think he will be able to write I think; he will be able to write in Japanese. So, there are lot of forms here today all that we have covered this is a quick revision. So, please go over these and practice with your partner.

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So, today I have requested professor Sudhir Misra from the Civil Engineering Department of IIT Kanpur to come and tell you about Japanese culture. Hhe has stayed in Japan for a very long time and he has worked over there. So, he has good knowledge of culture and their customs and how the Japanese people think and their lifestyle. So, he is going to share some of his experiences with you today and he is going to tell you about the Japanese calendar. So, let us listen to what he has to say.

Konnichiwa minasan. Hajimemashite. Watashi wa Misura Sudhiru desu. (FL) master gGood afternoon to all of you and it is a pleasure to be here. M-my name is Sudhir Misra and as Vatsala sensei (FL) since I said I have been in Japan for a long time and I am happy to have this opportunity to talk to you about the Japanese calendar.

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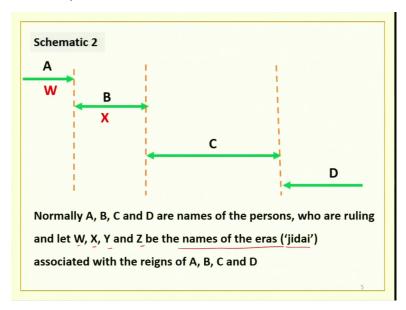
Japan has a reigning monarch or emperor
Today we spend some time know how the reign of the emperor is related to the calendar followed in Japan
This calendar is in addition to the western or Gregorian calendar

So, getting started, I do not know how many of you know that Japan has a reigning monarch or an emperor. Without getting into the politics or the political science as to what is the power of the emperor, whether it is similar to the British monarchy or the Indian presidential system

and so on, we are only interested in the calendar; the fact that there is a monarch and an emperor that is something which is related to the Japanese calendar.

So, today we will spend some time to know, how the reign of the emperor is related to the calendar followed in Japan. This calendar of course is in addition to the western the Gregorian calendar.

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Now moving forward I will try to use some schematic diagrams to explain this concept to you. This is different points in time let us say time T, T--1, T--2, T--3. These are different points in time. Now at some point in time there is an emperor A, who is ruling. That reigns ends here empire, B's reigns start here and goes up to this point, emperor, Cs reigns starts here goes up to this point, and let us say that the reigns of the emperor D is continuing.

So, this is what we would expect. and this, what happens duringation of the reign of an emperor is taken as a period or 'era or *jidai* / \(\mathcal{U}\) ', (FL) that is what is very interesting to note about Japanese calendar. that iIt is related to the duration of the reign of an emperor A, B, C and D. If there are different emperors the names of those emperors there will be different eras associated with them. In other words there is W, X, Y and Z the names of the eras or the *jidai* / \(\mathcal{U}\) (FL) which is associated with the reigns of A, B, C and D.

In other words let us say the reign of emperor A is W jidai/UEV (FL) the reign of emperor B is X jidai/UEV, (FL) Y jidai/UEV (FL) and Z jidai/UEV (FL). So, there is an era W, an era X, and era Y, and an era Z.

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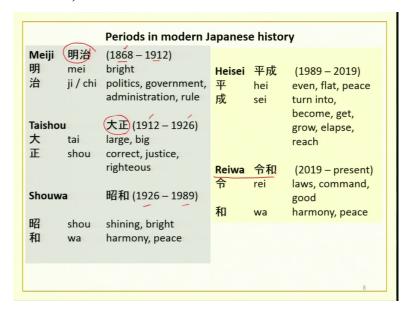
- During the reign, the emperor is referred to as 'tenno heika', which roughly could be translated as 'His excellency the emperor'
- After his reign, the emperor (of a period) is referred to by '<jidai> tenno'. For example, it is clear that Showa Tenno ruled during the Showa era, and Meiji Tenno ruled during the Meiji era

During the reign the emperor is referred to as  $tenno\ heika/ ThO \sim V \mathcal{H}$  (FL) which roughly could be translated as his Excellency the emperor. So, the tenno/ThO(FL) is the emperor and  $heika/\sim V \mathcal{H}$  (FL) roughly translates to his Excellency. These are the things that you can probably Google and look up the internet and try to understand a little bit more after his reign the emperor of a period is referred to by  $jidai/U\mathcal{H}V$  (FL) and the tenno/T hO(FL). So, if you are reading in  $Xjidai/U\mathcal{H}V$  (FL) that emperor will be called X tenno/ThO, then know for example it is clear that the  $Shouwa\ tenno/U \mathcal{L}\mathcal{D}V$  ThO(FL) ruled during the  $Shouwa/U \mathcal{L}\mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}$  (FL) era, the  $meiji\ tenno/\mathcal{D}VU$  ThO(FL) ruled during the  $Mmeiji/\mathcal{D}VU$  U(FL) era.

So, going back to this diagram this *jidai* / じだい(FL) will be known as the W *jidai* / じだい(FL) and it is clear that emperor A ruled in that; this *jidai* / じだい(FL) will be known as X *jidai* / じだい(FL) and it is known that empire bB ruled here. The Y *jidai* / じだい(FL) emperor Ce ruled here, and the D *jidai* / じだい(FL) will come later. So, during this reign this person here, this person here and this person here they are just called the tenno heika / てんの ヘいか(FL) which is the emperor his Excellency or his Excellency the emperor that is the reigning monarch and

after that reigns the person referred to by the *jidai* / CFL) name and then no associated with that.

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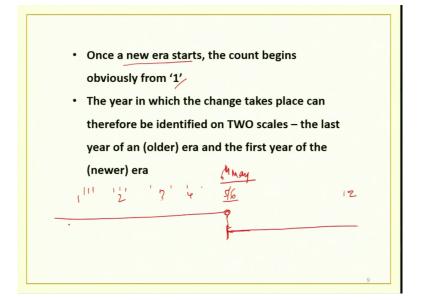
Now what are the periods in modern Japanese history? So, if you talk to Japanese people you will find that they always talk in terms of a modern Japanese history and of course the past history. So, in the modern Japanese history which roughly starts in 1868 there was *Meiji tenno*/めいじ てんの(FL). So, *Meiji*/めいじ(FL) is the name of the *jidai*/じだい (FL) and *Meiji tenno*/めいじ てんの(FL) ruled from 1868 to 1912; that was followed by *Taishou tenno*/たいしょう てんの, *Taishou*/たいしょう(FL) is the name of the *jidai*/じだい(FL) and *tTTaishou tenno*/たいしょう てんの(FL) there no rule from 1912 to 1926.

And a lot of scholars and —historians, everyone gets together and identifies these two characters from the point of view that they should be easy to pronounce, they should be easy to write and most importantly perhaps the message that goes out with the two characters. So, if you look at *Mmeiji* / & V (FL) for example you are familiar with kanji and the fact that each kanji has a certain meaning associated with it.

Meiji / めいじ(FL) is bright and politics government administration rule and so on. So, it is something like bright administration if you want to call it that way. Taishou / たいしょう (FL) is, tai / 大(FL) is large you are familiar with words like daigaku / 大学、(FL) shou / しょうw is correct. So, basically the message that was sent across is, its righteous governance. Similarly, sShouwa / 昭和(FL) is shining bright and harmony and peace. Heisei / 平成(FL) is even, flat and peace. T-that is the hei / 平如 part of it and the sei / 成 same part of it means is turn into, or become, or get grow....... elapse reach out etc.

So, there is this element of message that goes out. the Reiwa / 令和(FL) is laws, command, good harmony, and peace. So, that is the message that has to be conveyed by the particular *jidai* / じだい(FL) to not only the people themselves but also to the rest of the world.

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So, moving forward once the new error starts the count obviously begins with one. I in other, words the year in which the change takes place can therefore be identified on two scales. Tethe last year of the older era and the first year of the newer era. So, now if we go back to this

slide, you will notice that 1912 is the end of the *mMeiji*/めいじ(FL) era and also the start of the *tTTaishou*/たいしょう(FL) era. Similarly, 1926 is the end of the *tTTaishou*/たいしょう(FL) era and the start of the *sShouwa*/昭和(FL) era. Year 89 is the end of *sShouwa*/しょうか(FL) era and is the start of *hHeisei*/へいせい(FL) era. 2019 end of *Hheisei*/へいせい(FL) era and is start of *rReiwa*/れいか(FL) era.

Now what really happens is that we know that there are 12 months; January February March April; ichi-gatsu/- $\beta$ , ni-gatsu/- $\beta$ , san-gatsu/= $\beta$ (**FL**) and so on and so forth, right up to 12, and there are certain number of days associated with each of these months. Now if a particular era goes up to this point and ends, that is, the new emperor takes over here, the new jidai/ $\mathcal{C}$ (**FL**) starts here. What it means is that as far as the previous era is concerned it will have only let us say, if this was go-gatsu muika/ $\pm \beta$  $\uparrow$  $\beta$ (**FL**), that is, 6th of Mmay,.

Then up to 6th of may will be designated as the last year of this era or the last dates or the last days of this era, and this era will start with the next day. So, I am leaving it to you as an assignment again, to actually find out when did the transition happen in 1912, 1926, 1989, 2019. So, these four years I have given you but I have not given you the actual days. Please try to find out when did the actual transition happen. Now I hope you understand this part which is how the era changes.... right.

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#0 /M	西雅	干 支	年齡	和曆	西暦	干支	年齢	和暦	西暦	干支	年前
大正6	1917	E (34)	101	昭和 26	1951	SD (3)	67	昭和 60	1985	丑(うい)	33
7	1918	年 (うま)	100	27	1952	辰 (たつ)	66	61	1986	寅 (とら)	32
8	1919	* (2)	- 99	28	1953	E (24)	65	62	1987	ØP (→)	31
9	1920	申 (さる)	98	29	1954	午 (うま)	64	63	1988	展 (たつ)	30
10	1921	a (2.9)	97	30	1955	未 (ひつじ)	63	昭和 64 平成元	1989	E (24)	29
11	1922	12 (L VO)	96	31	1956	中 (さる)	62	2	1990	午 (うま)	28
12	1923	# (2.4)	95	32	1957	<b>あ</b> (とり)	61	3	1991	* (0)	27
13	1924	F (ta)	94	33	1958	12 (L-VO)	60	4	1992	申 (さる)	26
14	1925	丑 (うし)	93	34	1959	度 化分	59	5	1993	<b>西</b> (とり)	25
大正15 昭和元	1926	富 (とら)	92	35	1960	子 (和)	58	6	1994	1克 (L-VO)	24
2	1927	90 (5)	91	36	1961	丑 (うし)	57	7	1995	五 化分	23
3	1928	長 (たつ)	90	37	1962	寅 (とら)	56	8	1996	子 (和)	22
4	1929	E (34)	89	38	1963	(n (3)	55	9	1997	丑(うし)	21
5	1930	年 (5年)	88	39	1964	展 (たつ)	54	10	1998	寅 (とら)	20
6	1931	* (000)	87	40	1965	E (24)	53	11	1999	SB (-5)	19
7	1932	申 (さる)	86	41	1966	年 (うま)	52	12	2000	辰 (たつ)	18
8	1933	高 (とv)	85	42	1967	来 (ひつじ)	51	13	2001	E (34)	17
9	1934	12 (L-VO)	84	43	1968	申 (さる)	50	14	2002	年 (うま)	16
10	1935	在 (2.9)	83	44	1969	西 (とり)	49	15	2003	* (000	15
11	1936	7 (ta)	82	45	1970	172 (C-40)	48	16	2004	申 (さる)	14
12	1937	丑 (うし)	81	46	1971	友 化ツ	47	17	2005	西 (とり)	13
13	1938	賞 (とら)	80	47	1972	子 (和)	46	18	2006	理 化100	12
14	1939	SD (-5)	79	48	1973	丑(うし)	45	19	2007	度 (1)	11
15	1940	展(たつ)	78		1974	寅 (とら)	44	20	2008	子 (和)	10
16		E (34)	77		1975	60 (5)	43	21	2009	丑(うい)	9
17	1942	年 (5ま)	76		1976	長 (たつ)	42	22	2010	賞 (とら)	8
18		* (ひつじ)				E (34)	41	23	2011	60 (3)	7
19		申 (さる)	74	-		年 (うま)	40	24	2012	長 (たつ)	6
20		\$ (F-1)	73			* (ひつじ)	39	25	2013	E (34)	5
21	1946	12 (C 40)	72			申 (さる)	38	26	2014	午 (うま)	4
22		度 (L·)	71		1	₩ (F.A)	37	27	2015	* (000	3
23	1948	7 (12)	70		1	18 (F. AO)	36	28	2016	(ひる)	2
24	1949	丑 (うし)	69			煮 化分	35	29	2017	a (F.i)	1
25	1950	書 (とら)	68	59	1984	7 (12)	34	30	2018	18 (C 40)	0

Now moving forward there is another interesting thing that happens when we follow thise eras, which are associated with the emperor's reign. So, for example this is the western

calendar and this kind of a page is often inserted in a diary in Japan which enables you to convert the Gregorian calendar to the Japanese calendar and to determine how old a person is in that particular year.

So, in a Gregorian calendar it is much simpler. If you are born in 1910 or 1950 or whatever, it is 1980 and, 1950, thirty years old nineteen forty nineteen ten thirty years old but if the eraror changes, then age computation becomes more challenging, and this kind of a ready reckoner helps you. So, what this says is? *Taishou*//cvlffl show 6 is 1917 and in the present age that is the diary that we are looking at or the time that you are looking at you will be 101 years old.

If you were born in 1921, that is TTaishou/たいしょう(FL) then you will be 97 years old., lif you were born in Sshouwa/しょうか(FL) ten, which is 1935, you would be 83 years old and so on. So, if you look at this part also, you find that 1926, there is Shhouwa/しょうか (FL), one which is written here, that is, Sshouwa gan-nen/しょうか 元年(FL) and Taishou/たいしょう(FL) 15. Similarly, if you look at 89, you will find Sshouwa/しょうか からいせい hey say one of course Hheisei/へいせい he say two is 19909 because that is the year that follows 1989.

So, there is something very interesting and now we have the answer to the first slide that is *Hheisei 30*, **(FL)** refers to 2018 and of course a person born in 2018 and if we are talking of 2018 would be zero years old. So, that is the interesting part of the Japanese calendar, there is one more column in this table which we are going to talk about later and that column is this one I will probably come back and talk to you sometime about this column.

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						記入	· E :	年	A	-
フリガナ					生年月日					
氏名				男·女	大・昭・平・令	年	Я	B		
住所	Ŧ	-								
電話番号			_							

Now where all this is useful is a form like this. Very often we kind of have to fill out forms. Of course in the online world things have become slightly different, but in the offline world it was quite different and this is a form which is for a pharmaceutical questionnaire. So, here we write whatever day you are talking about, that is, the particular year or the day when you are applying over you are filling out the form.

Then you have this part here which is name which is often in kanji. So, here is the furigana where you write it in typically hiragana, and this is *juusho*/住所, (FL) whereich you write the address, this is *denwa-bango*(FL) which is the telephone number. So, you fill this out then male/-female you fill that out. iInteresting part is say *sei-nen-gappi*/せいねんがっぴ (FL) which is the year of your birth. Now for the year of the birth you have to circle you may say *Sshouwa*/しようか(FL) 29 *ni-gatsu*/二月, *tsuitachi*/一月 (FL) or whatever your year of birth is.

OrSo, if you are born in *Hheisei* / \(\lambda \tau \text{(FL)}\) you will say *Hheisei* / \(\lambda \tau \text{\text{2(FL)}}\) to whatever the month and the date. So, this is how these forms are designed in the older forms where the date of birth had to be given in the Japanese calendar. Of course of course, in the modern times I guess most of the forms have now been redone and you can write here 1990 or 2001 or whatever the western calendar says. So, as I mentioned this is the first slide and now we know that *Hheisei san-juu-nen* / \(\lambda \text{\text{t}}\) \(\equiv \frac{\text{\text{Th}}}{\text{Th}}\) is nothing but two 2018.

And with this I come to an end of our discussion today and I must thank all my Japanese friends for educating me on this and I must apologize to them as well in case there is an error in what I have communicated to you. I have communicated to you what I understood, what I found was fascinating as far as the calendar is concerned in this day and age, and thank you so much.

So, I hope you enjoyed what sir had to tell you about Japanese eras you can also find on the net and see what they are and I hope that you will also complete the assignments that he has given you. So, there is lots more to tell as sir has already said.

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Vocabulary						
ikkagetsu	いっかげつ	one month				
shashin	しゃしん	photo, picture				
toru	とる	to take (a photo)				
daisuki	大好き	like very much				
oyogu	およぐ	to swim				
shumi	しゅみ	hobby				
gita-	ギター	guitar				
kaku	かく	to write				
kondo	こんど	this time				
kimochi	きもち	feeling, mood				
ganbaru	がんばる	to do one's best				

And I am sure he is going to give us all kinds of interesting information about Japanese culture and Japanese people their lifestyle their way of living their culture their habits how to interact with them how they interact with everybody. And I am sure sir Misra has a lot of experience of that he will share some of his experiences with us. So, we all look forward to it.

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potential form for group III noun ga dekiru / が できる ~ koto / ~こと ~ koto ga dekiru / ~こと が できる

And here I would like to also thank sir for giving us his precious time. So, with this I would like to end our class today. Lot of things have been done potential form for group three has been covered with dekiru ( $text{text{-}}$ ). There are a few things left which we will cover in our next class till then practice hard at home do the conversation with your partner and come prepared for the next class we are going to do something interesting there as well. Mata aimashou  $fext{-}$   $fext{-}$  fex