

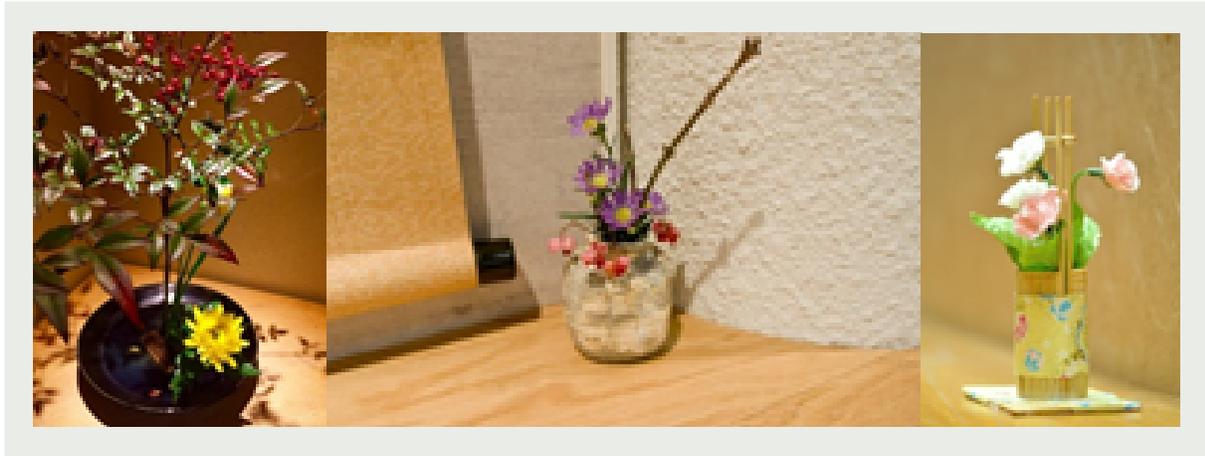
Unit 10 O-MO-TE-NA-SHI Japanese Culture

✓ REVIEW

Put the following Japanese into English.

1. 俳句とは、五・七・五の十七音から成る日本の定型詩です。
2. 切れ字とは、句を切る働きをする語のことです。

生け花
Ikebana



CONVERSATION 1

Key words:

- monk 僧
- altar 祭壇
- spread 広がる

1. Listen to the conversation without looking at the text.
2. Now repeat after the teacher, looking at the text.

A: How do you call the traditional Japanese art of flower arrangement?

B: It's called 'ikebana'.

A: Tell me more about it.

B: It was originally performed by Buddhist monks in the 6th century to decorate the temple altar, and spread to the use of flowers to decorate



homes and other locations.

A: What's the difference between Western flower arrangement and ikebana?

B: While Western floral design tends to focus on the blooms themselves, simply putting flowers in a container, ikebana is concerned with other areas of the plant, such as the curving lines of branches and stalks, or the leaves. Classic ikebana designs, which first flourished during the Edo period, are based on an asymmetrical triangle.

3. Read the conversation until you memorize it.

4. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of A and you play the role of B.

盆栽

Bonsai



CONVERSATION 2

Key words:

- dwarfed 発達を妨げられた
- prune 枝を切り取る

1. Listen to the conversation without looking at the text.

2. Now repeat after the teacher, looking at the text.



A: What is 'bonsai'?

B: It is a kind of "living art" in which a tree is planted in a pot and trained to an artistic shape, growing into what looks like a dwarfed version of a full-sized tree.

A: What sort of techniques are used to limit healthy growth?

B: Bonsai requires techniques quite different from those of ordinary gardening. You need to spend a lot of time in pruning the branches and attaching wires to shape the direction of growth of the branches. Also you need to restrict but not abandon fertilizers to limit healthy growth.

3. Read the conversation until you memorize it.

4. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of A and you play the role of B.

PRACTICE SENTENCES

Put the following Japanese into English.

1. 生け花とは、日本の伝統的な花の生け方です。
2. 茶花とは、日本の茶室に生けられる生け花の総称です。
3. 盆栽とは、鉢に一本の木を植え、芸術的な形になるように仕立て、普通のサイズの木の子版となるようにする一種の生きた芸術です

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