

Unit 12 O-MO-TE-NA-SHI English For Beginners

Review

Put the following Japanese into English.

1. ご注文はお決まりになりましたか？
2. とんかつをお願いします。
3. お飲み物はいかがでしょうか？
4. お水をください。
5. お勘定をお願いします。

At a department store (1)



CONVERSATION 1

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

(Speaking to a store assistant in the information booth)(案内所の案内係に話しかけて)

Customer: Excuse me. I'm looking for some high quality Japanese chopsticks for souvenirs.

(すみません。お土産用の高級な日本のお箸をさがしているのですが)

Assistant: The souvenir department is on the sixth floor. You can take the elevator over there.

(おみやげ品売り場は6階にございます。あちらのエレベータをご利用いただけます)

Customer: Could you tell me where the restroom is, please?

(トイレはどちらか教えていただけますでしょうか)

Assistant: You'll find one on each floor next to the elevators. (各階のエレベータの横にございます)

Customer: Thank you.

3. Read the conversation until you memorize it.
4. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of the assistant and you play the role of the customer.

Change roles.



USING THE LANGUAGE

"Where is the restroom?" (US) = "Where is the toilet?" (UK)

In a restaurant, theater, department store, or other public place, a restroom (also rest room) is a room with a toilet for customers to use.

LANGUAGE CHECKLIST

Taking an elevator



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

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

Customer: Going up? (上に行きますか)

Elevator Operator A: No. Sorry. We are going down. (いいえ。すみません。下に行きます)

(Waiting for another elevator) (もう一台のエレベータを待って)

Customer: Going up? (上に行きますか)

Elevator Operator B: Yes. Which floor, please? (はい。何階ですか)

Customer: Sixth floor, please. Does this elevator stop at every floor? (6階へお願いします。

これは各階止まりですか)

Elevator Operator B: Yes. (はい)

(The elevator stops at sixth floor) (エレベータが6階に止まる)

Customer: This is my floor. Thank you. (この階で降ります)

3. Read the conversation until you memorize it.

4. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of the elevator operators and you play the role of the customer. Change roles.



KEY WORDS**At a souvenir department**

● Match the following definitions (1 to 8) with the appropriate pictures (A to H).

1. A fortune cat figurine beckoning with an upright paw, believed to bring good luck to the owner.
2. A pair of equal length sticks used for eating, and their case
3. A wooden traditional Japanese toy consisting of a hammer-shaped handle connected by a string to a ball
4. A traditional Japanese fabric curtain, hung between rooms, on walls, in doorways, or in windows.
5. Thin Japanese hand towels made of cotton
6. A paper crane and origami paper
7. A girl wearing yukata and geta. Yukata is a light cotton summer kimono. Geta is traditional Japanese wooden footwear.
8. A hand-held fan

**A****B****C**

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D**E****F****G****H**

Now repeat after the teacher, looking at each definition.

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4. A traditional Japanese fabric curtain, hung between rooms, on walls, in doorways, or in windows.
5. Thin Japanese hand towels made of cotton
6. A paper crane and origami paper
7. Two women wearing yukata and geta. Yukata is a light cotton summer kimono. Geta is traditional Japanese wooden footwear.
8. A hand-held fan

Notes

fortune 幸運 figurine 置物 beckoning 招いている upright paw 前足
stick 棒 string 糸
fabric 布製の doorway 出入口 thin 薄手の crane 鶴 footwear 履物

PRACTICE SENTENCES

Put the following Japanese into English.

1. すみません。お土産用の高級な日本のお箸をさがしているのですが。
2. おみやげ品売り場は6階にございます。
3. あちらのエレベータをご利用いただけます。
4. トイレはどちらか教えていただけますでしょうか
5. 各階のエレベータの横にございます
6. 招き猫とは、前足で人を招いている幸運の猫の置物で、持ち主に幸運をもたらすとされる。
7. のれんとは、伝統的な日本の布製のカーテンで、部屋の間、壁、出入口や窓につるされるもの。

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