SAMPLE COURSE OUTLINE

JAPANESE: BACKGROUND LANGUAGE
ATAR YEAR 11

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Japanese: Background Language - ATAR Year 11

Semester 1

Week	Key teaching points
	Introduction Overview of the Japanese: Background Language course, unit and assessment requirements
	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	Issues and perspectives The Issue of Young people and their relationships through the Perspectives of:
	 Personal: individual identity Community: connections with Japanese-speaking communities locally, regionally and worldwide International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider their relationships with family, their connections with friends and the influence of international popular youth culture on young people.
	Contexts and texts Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues through the contexts of:
	 Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet Contemporary literature and the Arts Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
	Linguistic resources Acquire and use the following resources:
1–6	 Grammar grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus) character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue Young people and their relationships:
	 discuss the role of family and friends in the Japanese-speaking communities and in the wider Australian community discuss individual identity within the family and friendship groups discuss the nature of language, culture and identity
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	 use strategies to maintain conversation organise spoken discourse monitor comprehension, seeking clarification of spoken texts
	 infer meaning from key words, structures, visual cues, context using known information Dictionaries
	 use monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries Task 1: Oral communication
	Task 2: Responding to texts: spoken

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	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	 Issues and perspectives The Issue of Traditions and values in a contemporary society through the Perspectives of: Personal: individual identity
7–12	 Community: connections with Japanese-speaking communities locally, regionally and worldwide International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider how the traditions and values of Japanese-speaking communities are maintained in multicultural environments and in a changing society
	Contexts and texts
	Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues through the contexts of:
	 Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet Contemporary literature and the Arts
	Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
	Linguistic resources
	Acquire and use the following resources:
	 Grammar grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus)
	 character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue Traditions and values in a contemporary society:
	 understand the nature of culture and identity in interpersonal interactions reflect on and discuss ideas, viewpoints and practices to deepen understanding of self and others
	• discuss own and others' values, beliefs and practices
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	sequence and structure information and ideas
	use a range of vocabulary and grammatical structures
	 express personal opinions and give reasons manipulate Japanese to communicate ideas and information effectively
	Dictionaries
	 use monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries
	Task 3: Responding to texts: written Task 4: Creating texts in Japanese

Week	Key teaching points
	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	Issues and perspectives The Issue of The changing nature of work through the Perspectives of:
	 Personal: individual identity International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider how advances in communication technologies and changes in expectations and aspirations affect future study and employment
	Contexts and texts Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues through the contexts of:
	 Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet Contemporary literature and the Arts Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
	Linguistic resources Acquire and use the following resources:
13–15	Grammar
	 grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus) character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue The changing nature of work:
	 discuss the role of technology in education and in the workforce discuss how changes in expectations and aspirations affect future study and employment
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	 summarise and synthesise information from texts use textual cues and understanding of text structure to interpret meaning
	Dictionaries use monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries
	Task 5: Creating texts in Japanese
16	Examination week Task 6: Semester 1 Practical (oral) examination Task 7: Semester 1 Written examination

Note: for Appendix 3 and Appendix 4 refer to the ATAR Year 11 and Year 12 syllabus

Semester 2

Week	Key teaching points
	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts
	Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	Issues and perspectives
	The Issue of The changing nature of work through the Perspectives of:
	 Personal: individual identity International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider how advances in communication technologies and changes in expectations and aspirations affect future study and employment
	Contexts and texts Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues through the contexts of:
	 Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet Contemporary literature and the Arts
	Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
1–3	Linguistic resources Acquire and use the following resources:
13	 Grammar grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus) character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue The changing nature of work:
	 discuss the role of technology in education and in the workforce discuss how changes in expectations and aspirations affect future study and employment
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	summarise and synthesise information from texts
	 use textual cues and understanding of text structure to interpret meaning Dictionaries
	 use monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries
	Task 8: Responding to texts: spoken
	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts
	Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	Issues and perspectives
	The Issue of The individual as a global citizen through the Perspectives of:
4–9	 Personal: individual identity Community: connections with Japanese-speaking communities locally, regionally and worldwide International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider a range of global issues, such as, environmental concerns and the impact of global events on individuals and society.
	Contexts and texts
	Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues through the contexts of:
	Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet

Week	Key teaching points
	 Contemporary literature and the Arts Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
	Linguistic resources Acquire and use the following resources:
	 Grammar grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus) character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue The individual as a global citizen:
	 discuss Japanese identity in the context of globalisation discuss the impact of globalisation on Japanese-speaking communities and their environment
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	 use resources to build vocabulary and check spelling and grammar use strategies to maintain communication, i.e. ask for clarification manipulate Japanese to communicate effectively in a range of contexts analyse the way culture and identity are expressed through language summarise and synthesise information and ideas from texts
	Dictionaries • use monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries
	Task 9: Oral communication Task 10: Responding to texts: written
	Issues, perspectives, contexts and texts
	Each issue is studied through one or more of the perspectives and through texts drawn from one or more contexts
	Issues and perspectives
	The Issue of Japanese identity in the international context through the Perspectives of:
	 Personal: individual identity Community: connections with Japanese-speaking communities locally, regionally and worldwide International: connections with the world as a global citizen
	Students will consider the place of Japanese-speaking communities in the world, including migration experiences both locally and internationally
10–15	Contexts and texts Explore and convey personal understanding in relation to the issues • Social and community settings: such as, home, family, school, workplace, the Internet • Contemporary literature and the Arts • Media: such as, television, newspapers, radio, the Internet
	Linguistic resources Acquire and use the following resources:
	 Grammar grammar appropriate to the issues and perspectives (refer to Appendix 3 in the syllabus) character list (refer to Appendix 4 in the syllabus)
	Intercultural understandings Develop linguistic and intercultural competence and reflect on the ways in which culture influences communication through the issue Japanese identity in the international context:

Week	Key teaching points
	 their place in the community as Australians of Japanese origin the nature of language, culture and identity in the context of migration
	Language learning and communication strategies Practise strategies relevant to learning and the acquisition of language, making meaning from texts, producing texts and engaging in spoken interaction, such as:
	 sequence and structure information and ideas summarise and synthesise information from a variety of texts manipulate Japanese to communicate effectively use culturally appropriate language when creating and presenting texts
	Dictionaries use a monolingual and/or a bilingual print dictionaries and/or character dictionaries Task 11: Creating texts in Japanese Task 12: Oral communication
16	Examination week Task 13: Semester 2 Practical (oral) examination Task 14: Semester 2 Written examination

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