

Re: Beginner text book for self study recommendation

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<fran575@mailandnews.com> wrote:

>*I will read nakama 1*

>*textbook and in certain places I will have to look on the workbook and*

>*listen to the CD's sold separate?*

Yes. The books will refer to audio and exercises in the exercise manuals and on the CDs.

If you can get over your opposition to romaji, the other standard for English learners is "Japanese: The Spoken Language"...

The Jordan spoken series (I've used these, too. Absolutely superb and an excellent alternative examination of the grammar. The main texts alone, which cost less than \$100 total, are valuable references. They are, however, typographically ugly) ...

Get most of the audio here, free...

<ftp://streaming-ftp.it.ohio-state.edu/audio/jpn09su03/>

<http://www.cheng-tsui.com>

Covers about 80 percent of all Japanese grammar.
(Peter Boyd, Columbia University)

Three book series can be spread over one to three years of instruction. The most common appears to be two.

Japanese: The Spoken Language: part 1 (lessons 1-12)

Audio cassettes

Cheng and Tsui, June 1, 1999

Revised: 14 audio cassettes...

ISBN: 0-8872-7247-9

Original: 9 audio cassettes...

ISBN: 0-8872-7130-8

Japanese: The Spoken Language, part 1 (lessons 1-12)

Eleanor Harz Jordan, Mari Noda (contributor)

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Yale, October 1987
ISBN: 0-3000-3834-8

Japanese: The Spoken Language, Part 1:
Supplement: Japanese Typescript
Eleanor Harz Jordan, Mari Noda (contributor)
Yale Univ Pr, April 1994
ISBN: 0-3000-4280-9 <== Contains the kana and kanji for the book

Japanese: The Spoken Language, part 2 (lessons 13-24)
Eleanor Harz Jordan
Yale, June 1988
ISBN: 0-3000-4188-8 <==

Japanese: The Spoken Language: part 2 (lessons 13-24)
12 audio cassettes
Cheng and Tsui
ISBN: 0-8872-7131-6

Japanese: The Spoken Language, Part 2:
Supplement: Japanese Typescript
Eleanor Harz Jordan, Mari Noda (contributor)
Yale Univ Pr
ISBN: 0-3000-4281-7 <== Contains the kana and kanji for the book

Japanese: The Spoken Language, part 3 (lessons 25-30)
Eleanor Harz Jordan
Yale, June 1990
ISBN: 0-3000-4191-8

Japanese: The Spoken Language: part 3 (lessons 25-30)
Eleanor Harz Jordan, Mari Noda (contributor)
6 audio cassettes
Cheng and Tsui
ISBN: 0-8872-7158-8

Japanese: The Spoken Language, Part 3:
Supplement: Japanese Typescript
Eleanor Harz Jordan, Mari Noda (contributor)
Yale Univ Pr
ISBN: 0-3000-4282-5 <== Contains the kana and kanji for the book