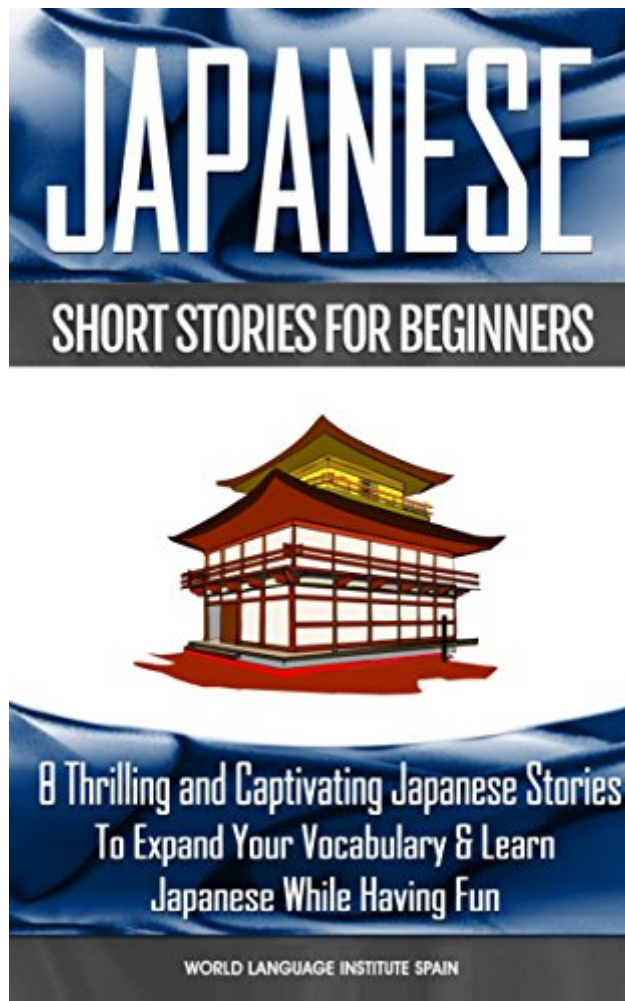




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# **Japanese Short Stories For Beginners: 8 Thrilling And Captivating Japanese Stories To Expand Your Vocabulary And Learn Japanese While Having Fun Japanese Edition**





## Synopsis

One of the fastest ways to learn a new language is reading interesting and easy to follow short stories. Even though Japanese is a phonetic language, reading short stories in Japanese is a practical and fun way to learn the language, because reading Japanese stories eliminate the stress of forcing yourself to study a language the traditional way. Instead, when you read these 8 thrilling Japanese stories (Japanese Edition) you are already in the process of learning Japanese. Your objective is to simply focus on a single short story at a time. The short stories you find in this book are humorously written and consist of multiple genres, including romance, mystery, sauna adventures, “prepper lifestyle”, crowdfunding and crime. These professionally prepared stories are suitable for beginners, intermediate learners and basically anyone who wants to learn Japanese. This book for Japanese language learning can be also a great help for your next travel to Japan because all the stories are culturally relevant. All the stories include vocabulary, phrase lists, multiple choice questions, exercises, and summaries in English. Table of Contents

Discover a fascinating language and its culture  
Explaining the language  
The stories and their value as teaching tools  
Follow this easy reading guide  
About Japanese writing and communication styles  
Beware of Japanese expressions

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trip

5. The barbecue

evening

6. The treasure in the woods

7. Americans in Germany

8. The Polish maid

All the Japanese stories are written by very talented and capable authors. Japanese language learning has never been easier! Get this book now and start learning the Japanese language the fun and easy way!

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## Customer Reviews

I took up English Literature and part of our study is learning the different stories from the different countries. I'm a fan of Japanese people because they always preserved their culture until now and when I visited their place, it was surreal as if I was there a long time ago. I enjoy reading each story in the book and there are also a follow-up questions after reading each story. You can learn from this book a lot! This is a friendly book for beginners like me who also wanted to learn more about their language!

I am newer to trying to learn Japanese, and I feel as if this book has been a great teaching tool. I would highly recommend it to anyone trying to improve on their vocabulary. I plan on buying more of this publisher's books in the near future.

This book focuses on improving reading skill in Japanese and contains eight easy to read and enjoyable short stories. I read all the stories both in English and Japanese. Each story includes English summaries of the plot and a Japanese phrase/word reference list. I think this book is a great and effective way to learn Japanese language. Thanks.

This book is a good and interesting source to learn the Japanese through interesting stories. Excellent for beginners at reading Japanese, just what I was looking for. I highly recommend this book.

Too easy for me but I can see why a lot of people would like these stories.

No furigana! The lack of furigana is very frustrating to those using this to study Japanese and learn vocabulary. If you're kanji recognition is low, this book is no help. The first story has the readings listed above the characters but everything after is standard spelling. There are also many typos and mistakes in the kindle version. Sometimes the Japanese characters don't even show up, they're just little blank boxes like `ÃfÂ Ã ÂªÃ ÂªÃ ÂªÃfÂ Ã ÂªÃ ÂªÃ ÂªÃfÂ Ã ÂªÃ ÂªÃ Âª`. Very disappointing, low quality work.

Japanese language is different from any European language, it dates quite back into history known as an Old Japanese language, with Altaic roots. It is the language that has been influenced by many languages, but the most influence had Chinese whose writing Japanese have adopted. Japanese is indeed a challenging language, with many English words adopted, that don't sound like English words any more. This book covers formal and casual Japanese, dialogues in both styles feminine and masculine, abbreviations and onomatopoeia. Japanese language differs depending on gender, time, background, generations, social environment and individual circumstances. Nice book that will help you understand and learn Japanese language!

These stories are certainly short. Not especially exciting but if you are looking for adult level material to practice reading Japanese with a small set of basic kanji, these stories are OK, and there are questions to test your understanding. One important note: there are no furigana (as claimed), at least in the Kindle app on iPad. Furigana are small phonetic symbols (hiragana) attached to each kanji to help Japanese children and foreign students with unfamiliar kanji. They are absent here, which may be good or bad depending on your level and preference. Furigana may keep you from really learning to recognize "bare" kanji. Ideally it would be something you could turn on or off. Since this is plain Japanese text, you can copy and paste into a dictionary app like Midori to see the pronunciation. I was curious and this book was cheap. It has a reasonable amount of content so it's not a scam like some cheap specialty Kindle books. I used to buy a children's magazine in Japan

that had non fiction articles about science, nature, history, etc. with intermediate kanji and furigana. If you like this and are in Japan, look for that magazine, "Takusan no fushigi" -- I think it is still published. I found it more helpful than manga for early Japanese reading practice. It's probably intended for 4th or 5th grade but the subjects and writing are adult in tone. Update: There is a much better book that seems to have inspired this one, although the stories are different. This other book DOES have furigana (though it displays very large on iPad Kindle app) and the translations and explanations are more detailed:

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pd\_typ\_k\_sp\_1\_1/167-8197960-7107551?\_encoding=UTF8&psc=1&refRID=01ZB0S8EP74R7HNR8JPK Update #2: I edited this a few days ago on my iPad but my edits never showed up. I am adding a screen shot from iPad Kindle app showing no furigana -- they are not even in the first story for me (as another reviewer commented). I did find that if I install the Kindle Japanese-English dictionary that I can select kanji and see the definition and the hiragana pronunciation in most cases. This makes it more usable but still not as described. I'm really wondering if all the 5-star reviewers here really looked at the same product that I did. I've spent a lot of time on an item I bought on whim because I've studied Japanese for years and I am always curious about new learning materials. You can publish whatever you like on Kindle but you should describe it accurately. You might say, "look at the sample," which of course I did before I bought it. But as is usually the case with short works of this type, the sample only shows the introductory pages, but none of the actual content. So I only found the missing furigana after I bought it.

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