



Learn Japanese Pod with Ami and Alex

Podcast 28: Talking about the weather in Japanese

In this lesson you will learn the following:

- ✓ Learn vocabulary and grammar to talk about the weather in Japanese
- ✓ Learn how to talk about simple weather forecasts
- ✓ Learn extra weather related phrases

LEVEL: Upper Beginner



Introduction

In this podcast you are going to learn basic vocabulary, phrases and grammar to talk about the weather in Japanese. Talking about the weather is a very common topic in Japanese. This is especially so with small talk as it is quite common in Japanese to mention the weather when making small talk or striking up a conversation with someone.

How to study

Use the links below to help you study this lesson. There are various ways to study this lesson but I suggest listening to the main podcast first to get a general idea of the topic.

Main Podcast Lesson - Ami sensei and Alex demonstrate the main dialogue, briefly explain the grammar and talk about other Japan related topics.

Then you can use these show notes to read through and study in more depth. We include grammar and vocabulary explanations to better understand the main lesson dialogue.

Finally, you can use the Japanese dialogue only audio file to practice your listening. You can listen to the audio phrase by phrase and then repeat afterwards to practice your speaking and listening skills.

To access the audio podcast for this lesson go to <https://learnjapanesepod.com> and navigate to this lesson.



Main Dialog 1 - Talking about the weather (Japanese)

- A: 今日暑いよね。
B: そうだね。超ジメジメしてるね。
A: 今週の天気予報は？
B: 今週はずっと35度だよ。
A: うそ！マジで？！もう我慢できない。
B: だけど週末は雨が降りそう。
A: あ、良かった、こんな猛暑だと北極に引っ越ししたくなるな。

Main Dialog 1 - Talking about the weather (Pronunciation)

- A: Kyō atsui yo ne.
B: Sō da ne. Chō jime jime shiteru ne.
A: Konshuu no tenki yohō wa?
B: Konshuu was zutto sanjuu go do da yo.
A: Uso! Majide? Mō gaman dekinai.
B: Dakedo, shuumatsu wa ame ga furi sō.
A: A, yokatta, konna mōsho da to hokkyoku ni hikkoshi shitakunaru na.

Main Dialog 1 - Talking about the weather (English)

- A: It's hot today isn't it?
B: It sure is. It's so hot and sticky.
A: What the weather forecast for this week?
B: It's going to be 35 degrees all week.
A: No way! Seriously?! I can't take this anymore.
B: But it looks like it might rain on the weekend.
A: Ah good. This kind of heat makes me want to move to the Arctic!



Weather Related Phrases

Let's have a look at some useful phrases you can use to talk about the weather and also use for small talk in Japanese. And if there is one thing the Japanese love talking about, it's the weather. So, check out these phrases which you can use to strike up conversations in Japanese.

Example phrase:

今日は	暑い	ですね。
<i>Kyō wa</i>	<i>atsui</i>	<i>desu ne.</i>
Today	hot	isn't it?

It's hot today isn't it?

A very common phrase to talk about the weather is *Kyō wa* + *(the current weather)* + *desu ne* or It's (so and so) today isn't it? To which you would reply:

そうですね *Sō desu ne* which means that's right or I agree.

Note that the *desu ne* at the end makes it more polite. You would usually use the polite form when striking up a conversation with someone you don't know or someone of a higher social standing than you.

An excellent way to really learn this phrase and expand your weather vocabulary is to drill these phrases repeatedly but also change one word every time. The audio for the following examples can be found in the main podcast or extra Japanese dialogue audio file which can be downloaded from the podcast feed.



Example 1 (Extra Japanese dialogue audio file on the podcast feed)

A: 今日は暑いですね。	Kyō wa atsui desu ne	Today's hot isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 2

A: 今日は天気がいいですね。	Kyō wa tenki ga ii desu ne	Today's nice weather isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 3

A: 今日は蒸し暑いですね。	Kyō wa mushiatsui desu ne	Today's humid isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 4

A: 今日はジメジメしてま すね。	Kyō wa jimejime shitemasu ne	Today's hot and sticky /humid isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 5

A: 今日は涼しいですね。	Kyō wa suzushii desu ne	Today's cool isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.



Example 6

A: 今日は寒いですね。	Kyō wa samui desu ne	Today's cold isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 7

A: 今日は雨が降っていますね。	Kyō wa ame ga futteimasu ne	Today's rainy isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 8

A: 今日は雪が降っていますね。	Kyō wa yuki ga futteimasu ne	Today's snowing isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 9

A: 今日は風が強いですね。	Kyō wa kaze ga tsuyoi desu ne	Today's windy isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.

Example 10

A: 今日は晴れですね。	Kyō wa hare desu ne	Today's clear beautiful weather isn't it?
B: そうですね。	Sō desu ne	Yes, it is.



Now let's learn how to talk about weather forecasts. So far we know how to say things like, today it's raining or today's nice weather. However, when talking about the weather forecast, you want to say something like, it looks like it's going to rain or it looks like it'll be nice weather tomorrow.

The basic way to do that is to add ...*そうです* ...*sō desu* to the end of phrases which means I think something will happen.

Here are the grammar rules related to talking about weather predictions:

1) Verbs - Replace the *-masu* at the end of the verb with *sō desu* at the end

Present Tense	Predicting (It seems like it will be...)
雨が降ります <i>Ame ga furimasu / futteimasu</i> It is raining	雨が降りそうです <i>Ame ga furisō desu</i> It looks like it's going to rain

2) Adjectives - Drop the last *i* sound and replace with *sō desu* at the end

Present Tense	Predicting (It seems like it will be...)
暑いです <i>Atsui desu</i> It's hot	明日は暑そうです <i>Ashita wa atsusō desu</i> It looks like it'll be hot tomorrow



Here are the example sentences you can hear in the main podcast or the extra Japanese only dialogue on the podcast feed:

Example 11

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	<i>Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka</i>	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は天気がよさそうです。	<i>Ashita wa tenki ga yosasō desu.</i>	It looks like the weather will be nice tomorrow.

Example 12

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	<i>Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka</i>	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は暑そうです。	<i>Ashita wa atsusō desu.</i>	It looks like it's going to be hot tomorrow.

Example 13

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	<i>Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka</i>	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は涼しそうです。	<i>Ashita wa suzushisō desu.</i>	It looks like it's going to be cool tomorrow.

Example 14

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	<i>Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka</i>	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は寒そうです。	<i>Ashita wa samusō desu.</i>	It looks like it's going to be cold tomorrow.



Example 15

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は雨が降りそうです。	Ashita wa ame ga furisō desu.	It looks like it's going to rain tomorrow.

Example 16

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は雪が降りそうです。	Ashita wa yuki ga furisō desu.	It looks like it's going to snow tomorrow.

Example 17

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は風が強そうです。	Ashita wa kaze ga tsuyosō desu.	It looks like it's going to be windy tomorrow.

Example 18

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は晴れそうです。	Ashita wa haresō desu.	It looks like it's going to be nice tomorrow.



Example 19

A: 明日の天気はどうですか。	Ashita no tenki wa dō desu ka	What's the weather like tomorrow?
B: 明日は30度だそうです。	Ashita wa sanjuu do dasō desu.	It looks like it's going to be 30 degrees tomorrow.

Extra Weather Related Phrases

A: 気温は何度ですか *Kion wa nando desu ka* What's the temperature?
 B: 25度です *Nijuu go do desu* It's 25 degrees

風邪引かないようにね *Kaze o hikanai yō ni ne*
 Be sure not to catch a cold

暖かい服を着るようにね *Atataakai fuku o kiru yō ni ne*
 Be sure to wear warm clothes

暑さに気をつけてね *Atsusa ni wi o tsukete ne*
 Be careful of the heat

水分補給はしようね *Suibun o hokuyū shiyō ne*
 Be sure to stay hydrated

Random Phrase of the Week

腹を割る *Hara o waru* To talk frankly (Lit. to split your stomach)

Example:

腹を割って、話そう *Hara o watte, hanasō* Let's talk frankly about this



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