

THE 7th ANNUAL QATAR JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST



The 7th Annual Qatar Japanese Speech Contest

Event Information

ORGANIZERS: The Embassy of Japan in Qatar, Japanese Language Teachers' Association in Qatar (JALTAQ)

DATE/TIME: Saturday, May 9, 2015 (11:00am-3:30pm approximately)

PLACE: The Japan School of Doha

CONTACT: Japanese Language Teachers' Association in Qatar (jaltaqspeechcontest@gmail.com)

Entry Qualifications

- 1) a non-native Japanese language speaker
- 2) a resident of Qatar
- 3) a current student of a JALTAQ member or if you are not a current student of a JALTAQ member, you must have studied Japanese language for at least half a year
- 4) The person who studied Japanese more than 1 month in Japan is not qualified to contest.
- 5) The person who lived in Japan more than 3 months is not qualified to contest.

Speech Categories

	CATEGORY	TIME LIMIT (WARNING BELL)	TOPIC
A	Recitation	3 MINUTES (2½ MINUTES)	• recitation of the stories of one's choice
B	ASSIGNED THEME	2-3 MINUTES (2½ MINUTES)	• free choice of topic • give a speech based on the above theme • choose a title based on the theme
C	FREE TOPIC	4-5 MINUTES (4½ MINUTES)	• free choice of topic • you will be asked questions at the end of your speech and your answers will be judged.

- you **MUST** complete the recitation or your speech before the final bell
- you are **NOT** allowed to use PowerPoint slides
- Contestants on Category A are allowed to give a speech with a copy of the speech
- Contestants on Category B and C are **NOT** allowed to refer to a copy of the speech, but you may use brief notes. (The size of notes has to be smaller than A6.)
- you **MUST** submit a **summary** of the speech in **English** and **Japanese**
- **Category A** is intended to **the first-time** contestants

Selection

Contestants will be selected by the members of JALTAQ

Judging

- Contestants will be judged on the following criteria: *substance of the speech, construction of the speech, pronunciation and the manner in which the speech is given.*
- Contestants on Category C will be asked questions after the speech and that questions and answers session will be judged.
- Contestants on Category B and C who refer to a copy of the speech will be disqualified.
- Contestants who failed to keep the specified time limit will be penalized.

Contestant Participation

How to Enter

- if you are the student of a member of JALTAQ, contact your teacher
- if you are not the student of a member of JALTAQ, send an email to JALTAQ (jaltaqspeechcontest@gmail.com) with your:
 - name
 - nationality
 - age
 - contact information (phone number & email address)
 - Japanese language history
 - the category in which you would like to participate
- *Applicants **MUST** go through document & interview screening after their application.
- The maximum number of contestants is to be 10 for Category A, 12 for Category B and 8 for Category C.

Deadline

- the deadline to register is **March 31, 2015**

*The content specified in this document is subject to change.