DATES FOR 2020

January 20-23 (Mon-Thu)
Intensive Seminar for Primary Level Teachers

May 18 (Mon)
Teaching Materials Grant - Application Deadline

July 5 (Sun)
Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) (Brisbane, Canberra)

September 1 (Tue)
Video Maturi Student Short Film Contest - Entry Deadline

September 28 - October 1 (Mon-Thu)
Intensive Seminar for Junior Secondary Level Teachers

October 3 (Sat)
Australian Japanese Language Speech Contest Finals

October 30-31 (Fri-Sat)
National Symposium on Japanese Language Education (NSJLE)

October-December
Japanese Film Festival - School Screenings

December 1 (Tue)
Training Programs in Japan - Application Deadline

December 6 (Sun)
Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) (Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney)

(Please note all dates are subject to change.)

CENTRE VISITS

jpf.org.au/language/for-teachers/centre-visits-for-schools
JPF Sydney offers free authentic Japanese cultural and language immersion workshops for school groups at our centre.

LIBRARY

jpf.org.au/library
Residents of Australia can sign up for a free library card (or paid Japan Foundation Membership) to borrow library collection items. Postal loans are available for paid members. Yomikikase (story time) events are held occasionally for Japanese-speaking children.

STAY IN TOUCH

J-TEACHER AND J-LEARNER
jpf.org.au/subscribe
Subscribe to our monthly e-newsletters for Japanese teachers and learners for the latest updates.

SENSEIS' VOICES
jpf.org.au/language/for-teachers/senseis-voices
This page brings together knowledge, ideas and experiences of Japanese language educators around Australia through various articles.

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ONLINE RESOURCES

WEB

CLASSROOM RESOURCES  NEW AND IMPROVED!
jpf.org.au/classroom-resources
JPF Sydney curates a large collection of classroom resources for teachers, created over more than 20 years.

ERIN’S CHALLENGE! I CAN SPEAK JAPANESE
erin.ne.jp
Learn Japanese expressions through TV drama-like skits, manga and more with Erin.

MARUGOTO PLUS
marugotoweb.jp
Marugoto Plus is the learning support website for Marugoto, the official textbook of The Japan Foundation, which complies with the JF Standard for Japanese language education.

HIROGARU
higaru-nihongo.jp
Hirogaru is an interactive site for learning about Japan and the Japanese language through various topics of interest to learners.

MINATO
minato-jf.jp
"Minato" (literally meaning "Harbour") is a place for learners to study the Japanese language through online courses, and interact with people from all over the world via online communities.

NIHONGO e な
nihongo-e-na.com
This is a great one-stop-shop for the best online Japanese language resources. Also available on iOS and Android.

JAPANESE IN ANIME AND MANGA
anime-manga.jp
Learn Japanese expressions in a fun way through various genres of anime and manga.

STUDENT CONTESTS

AUSTRALIAN JAPANESE LANGUAGE SPEECH CONTEST FINALS
jpf.org.au/language/for-learners/contests/speech-contest/
Japanese language learners are encouraged to challenge their communicative skills in this contest. State winners progress to the National Finals, and compete to win exciting prizes.

VIDEO MATSURI STUDENT SHORT FILM CONTEST
jpf.org.au/language/for-learners/contests/video-matsuri/
Students have the opportunity to create a 3 minute short film showing off their language skills and technical prowess in this fun contest.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

INTENSIVE SEMINAR
jpf.org.au/language/for-teachers/professional-development/intensive-seminar/
This four day seminar enables teachers to upgrade language proficiency, update teaching practices and network with peers.

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON JAPANESE LANGUAGE EDUCATION (NSJLE) 2020
nsjle.org.au
The 5th biennial National Symposium on Japanese Language Education will be held in Melbourne on October 30-31, 2020.

TRAINING PROGRAMS IN JAPAN
jpf.org.au/language/for-teachers/professional-development/grants/
In-country professional development opportunities are offered at The Japan Foundation’s Japanese language institutes.

Basic Training Program [6 months]
General Language Program [6 weeks]
Teaching Methods Program [6 weeks]
Training on a Specific Theme [4 weeks]
Language Training for Specialists [2 or 5 months]

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS
jpf.org.au/language/for-teachers/professional-development/pd-opportunities/
Our language consultants present at Japanese language teachers association conferences and seminars in your region.

APPs

CHALLENGE WITH ERIN - JAPANESE LANGUAGE TEST -
app.erin.ne.jp/en/index.html
This app can be used to study beginner-level vocabulary and expressions in an engaging way through card games, manga and quizzes.

HIRAGANA / KATAKANA / KANJI MEMORY HINT
minato-jf.jp/Home/JapaneseApplication
Download apps to study hiragana/katakana/kanji in a fun way using mnemonic pictures.

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FUNDING

MINI GRANTS

Teaching Materials Grant
For schools looking to purchase or upgrade language teaching materials.

Speech Contest Grant
For organisations [regional or state-level] seeking to host a speech contest.