

New Resources in the Japan Foundation Library

Over the last few months a number of new resources have been added to the large collection in the Japan Foundation's Library. Full hiring membership is available for Japanese language teachers at all levels, researchers in fields related to Japanese language teaching and administrators at UK educational institutions. Learners of Japanese in higher and adult education are also very welcome to use the library for reference.

Some of our new library purchases:

[The 12th European Symposium on Japanese Language Education](#)

The library has several books by Keisuke Onoe and Nobuo Masataka. Onoe-san is keynote speaker at this year's event, and Masataka-san is the guest speaker. Follow this link (<http://www.sympo2007.org.uk/index.html>) for more information on the Symposium.



[Erin's Challenge! I can speak Japanese!](#)

This mini-drama, set in a Japanese high school, is now available on DVD from the library. The series is aimed at young people learning Japanese. More information is available here (<http://www.jpf.org.uk/language/news.php#drama>).

[カ-CHIKARA- Resources for GCSE Japanese](#)

The library has bound booklets of all Chikara model texts and exercises, organised by topic. CDs are also available of the accompanying sound files (these items are for reference only). More information on Chikara and downloadable resources can be found here (http://www.jpf.org.uk/language/teaching_chikara.php).

[Japanese Novels and Magazines](#)

The library has a selection of English translations of Japanese novels, by authors like Rika Yokomori, Uchida Hyakken and Fumiko Hayashi. There is also a copy of 'Rashōmon and 17 Other Stories' by Ryūnosuke Akutagawa.

There are a number of magazines available for reference in the library, including KIE

(English Language) on Japanese art and culture, and NEWS がわかる with Japanese-based news and current affairs (Japanese with full furigana).



Full information on the library can be found here (<http://www.jpf.org.uk/language/library.php>) and the library's resources can be searched here (http://www.jpf.org.uk/language/library_search.php).