

Language for entertaining a foreign visitor

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Describing Japanese food to a guest

Roleplay a restaurant conversation between you and a foreign guest who is visiting Japan and has never been here before. Try to explain the following foods to them and recommend which ones they would and wouldn't like. When the meal finishes, the guests should tell the class which of the foods that they were recommended they enjoyed most and why.

A

Sashimi

Sushi

Tako yaki

Ebi tempura

Chirashi

B

Tsukimi udon

Yaki soba

Miso ramen

C

Teriyaki

Sukiyaki

Tonkatsu

Shabu shabu

D

Gyoza

Shumai

Nikuman

E

Tsukemono

Edamame

F

An mitsu

G

Sake

Shochu

What are each of the sections above?

Label the sections with these expressions:

Side dishes/ Seafood/ Meat dishes/ Desserts/ Dumplings/ Drinks/ Noodles

Listen to your teacher saying some typical restaurant language when you take a guest out for dinner. Without looking at the list below, decide if each line is said by a guest or a host.

Read the expressions below and decide which each one is.

A

That's very kind, but I couldn't eat another thing.

This looks like a nice place. Do you come here often?

B

Help yourself.

How's your steak?

Shall I order another bottle?

It's a bit like spaghetti.

C

Thanks for your hospitality.

What does this one taste like?

Thank you. That was delicious.

Do you know where the bathroom is?

D

I think you'd like this one.

Do you like spicy food?

Do you have any allergies?

E

Is Japanese food popular in your country?

You can use chopsticks very well.

Can you eat raw fish?

One of the sections above is actually full of things you shouldn't say. Which section do you think it is?

- *Test each other in pairs.*
- *Continue, but this time answering the line your partner says.*
- *Switch roles and do the roleplay again.*
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