



Japanese Core Words and Phrases: Things You Cant Find in a Dictionary

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Kodansha. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 132 pages. Dimensions: 7.0in. x 5.1in. x 0.5in. Some Japanese words and phrases, even though they lie at the core of the language, forever elude the students grasp. They are not explained satisfactorily in dictionaries or textbooks for the simple reason that they cannot be conveniently defined. Japanese Core Words and Phrases brings these recalcitrants to bay. The book is divided into two parts, each of which is arranged in alphabetical order. The first part is devoted to words indicating physical as well as psychological distance—roughly equivalent to this, that, that over there, and where, but quite different in usage. Physical distance is covered in most textbooks, but psychological distance—every students nemesis—is not. The second part of the book covers a variety of idiomatic expressions, many of which appear in Japanese proficiency tests. Each entry word or phrase is not simply explained but exemplified in sentence form, clarifying its meaning (in the case of many students) for the very first time. Japanese Core Words and Phrases has a great deal to offer the beginning student and much to offer the intermediate student. Little more can be asked of a book on the Japanese language. Previously...



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