

# Japanese 7: Potential & Volitional Forms

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In this course, you will learn to use the Potential Form (可能形・かのうけい) and Volitional Form (意向形・いこうけい) to express abilities, possibilities, intentions, and plans in Japanese in both formal and informal. You will also learn to apply related patterns like ～すぎて (“too ~ to do”) and additional meanings of できる. The course helps you build confidence through quizzes, listening exercises, and speaking sessions designed to enhance practical communication skills.

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## Introduction

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Supplementary - Blank Vocabulary Chart (for organizing) (PDF 1 page)

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## Potential Form 可能形 (かのうけい) - Basics

**Lesson 1: How to Make Potential Form**

**Lesson 2: Potential Plain to Potential MASU**

Supplementary - Potential Chart - (PDF 1 page)

Supplementary - Potential Exercise Table (PDF 1 page)

Supplementary - Potential Exercise Answers (PDF 1 page)

**[Quiz 1]** Potential Plain Form - **With** Verb Groups

**[Quiz 1]** Potential Plain Form - **Without** Verb Groups

**[Quiz 2]** Potential MASU Form - **With** Verb Groups

**[Quiz 2]** Potential MASU Form - **Without** Verb Groups

**Lesson 3: Potential Conjugation for Everyday Conversation!**

Supplementary - Potential Conjugation Formal & Informal (PDF 1 page)

Supplementary - Potential VS. Regular Verb - Formal (PDF 1 page)

Supplementary - Potential VS. Regular Verb - Informal (PDF 1 page)

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## ちょっと、一休み (ひとやすみ) Break Time

丁寧な暮らし (ていねいなくらし) : Young Japanese Going Back to Slow & Traditional Lifestyle

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## Potential Form 可能形 (かのうけい) - Communication

### Lesson 4: "I can..." & "Can you...?"

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 2 pages)

### Lesson 5: Formal VS. Informal Conversation 《Potential Verb》

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 2 pages)

### Lesson 6: Speaking Session (1)

Supplementary - Questions [Formal] (MP3)

Supplementary - Script of the Questions [Formal] (PDF 1 page)

Supplementary - Questions [Informal] (MP3)

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[Quiz 3] How do you say it with Potential Verb?

### Lesson 7: できる - Other Meanings

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 3 pages)

### Lesson 8: すぎて "Vegetables are too expensive, so I can't buy them"

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 2 pages)

### Lesson 9: すぎて - Practice 《練習》

Supplementary - もう & まだ **Extra Video**

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 3 pages)

Supplementary - Summary of もう & まだ

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## ちょっと、一休み (ひとやすみ) Break Time

まさみおばあちゃん : Grandma Masami 99 years old (in 2017)

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## Volitional Form 意向形 (いこうけい)

### Lesson 10: How to make Volitional Form

### Lesson 11: "Let's..." - Informal

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 5 pages)

[Quiz 4] How do you say it with Volitional Verb?

### Lesson 12: 上を向いて歩こう (うえをむいてあるこう) Sukiyaki Song

### Lesson 13: "Shall we?" & "Shall I?"

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 6 pages)

### Lesson 14: 会話の聞き取り (かいわのききとり) Listen to Conversations!

Supplementary - Conversation Script (PDF 2 pages)

Supplementary - Conversation 1 between coworkers (MP3)

Supplementary - Conversation 2 between Boyfriend & Girlfriend (MP3)

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## Volitional Form 意向形 (いこうけい) - Express Intentions

### Lesson 15: Difference? "I'm thinking of doing" VS. "I think I want to do"

Supplementary - List of Example Sentences (PDF 3 pages)

Supplementary - List of Verbs for Future Plans (PDF 1 page)

### Lesson 16: Various Ways to Express Intentions

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### Lesson 17: Speaking Session (2)

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Supplementary - Questions [Informal] (MP3)

Supplementary - Script of the Questions [Informal] (PDF 1 page)

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