

Sunday School resources

1. OMF Sunday School course

Japanese language Outline to course

This course is divided into 5 sections A-E.

- **A: Using the text 'Seicho' students learn how to prepare messages in 4 units.**

Each unit consists of, a copy of a page from Seicho, vocabulary lists, a worksheet, a children's song, and vocabulary practice. There is also a page of onomatopoeic expressions. Preparing the worksheet involves the following:

Reading the Bible passage, planning headings, choosing a memory verse, writing the message, composing a prayer and finally, making one's own vocabulary prompts from the talk and practicing speaking only from those prompts instead of reading. In Unit 1 there is a sample worksheet already done for the student who ultimately ends up with 3 prepared messages.

- **B: Reading a talk not from Seicho and preparing one.**
- **C: Using English picture books to tell the story in Japanese and find a Biblical application**
(A squash and a Squeeze' or 'Claude and Pepper' are used at OMF Japanese Language Center but any book suitable can be used for practicing oral composition in Japanese.)
- **D: 表現法サプリメント** A supplement of expressions used, for example, in prayer, introducing new children, in making things, playing games etc.
- **E: Origami or crafts (if required)**

Materials available on request from the Language Advisor at la@omf.or.jp

2. Suggestions for learning children's language:

a. Watch **tv programmes** aimed at children e.g. NHK Educational's 'okaasan to issho' (「お母さんと一緒」) for small children or 'Chugakusei Nikki' (「中学生日記」) for older children.

b. Ask if you can **attend a local kindergarten or primary school** for a few days. With the emphasis on 'kokusai kooryuu' you may find they are delighted to have contact.

c. **Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)** sometimes has training sessions for Sunday School teachers where demonstration lessons are given. Find out if there are any in your area.