Talking About the Day's News

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Lyricate
LEARN IT IN MUSIC

01 VOCABULARY

Intermediate Japanese learning song about news. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	**最新のニュースを知っていますか？** Saishin no nyuusu o shitte imasu ka?	Do you know the latest news?	checking if someone is up to date
2	**昨日テレビで大きな討論がありました。** Kinou terebi de ookina touron ga arimashita.	There was a big debate on TV yesterday.	describing a past event
3	**メディアによると状況は改善しています。** Media ni yoru to joukyou wa kaizen shite imasu.	According to the media, the situation is improving.	reporting what sources say
4	**この出来事は面白いですか？** Kono dekigoto wa omoshiroi desu ka?	Is this event interesting?	discussing an event
5	**明日のニュースは何ですか。** Ashita no nyuusu wa nan desu ka?	What is tomorrow's news?	asking about upcoming news
6	**ニュースを読みたいです。** Nyuusu o yomitai desu.	I want to read the news.	expressing a wish

NEW WORDS (10)

saishin 最新
latest

shitte imasu ka 知っていますか
do you know

terebi テレビ
television

ookina 大きな
big

touron 討論
debate

arimashita ありました
there was

dekigoto 出来事
event

media ni yoru to メディアによると
according to the media

joukyou 状況
situation

kaizen shite imasu 改善しています
is improving

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

nyu

u

su

shi

te

[REVIEW]

Ogenki desu ka?

Are you well?

Genki desu, arigatou.

I am fine, thank you.

Shuumatsu wa nani o shimashita ka?

What did you do on the weekend?

Eiga wa omoshiroi desu ka?

Is the movie interesting?

[CHORUS]

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Do you know the latest news?

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[VERSE 1]

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[VERSE 2]

Media ni yoru to joukyou wa kaizen shite imasu.
According to the media, the situation is improving.
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according to the media
joukyou
situation
kaizen shite imasu
is improving
Kono dekigoto wa omoshiroi desu ka?
Is this event interesting?
dekigoto
event
Hai, kaizen shite imasu.
Yes, it is improving.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 3]

Ashita no nyuusu wa nan desu ka?

What is tomorrow's news?

Terebi de nyuusu o mimashita ka?

Did you watch the news on TV?

Hai, mimashita.

Yes, I watched it.

Ookina nyuusu desu ne.

It is big news, isn't it?

[VERSE 4]

Joukyou o shitte imasu ka?

Do you know the situation?

Hai, shitte imasu.

Yes, I know.

Touron ni ikitai desu.

I want to go to the debate.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 5]

Omoshiroi kara, nyuusu o yomitai desu.

I want to read the news because it is interesting.

Dekigoto wa dou desu ka?

How are the events?

Kaizen shite imasu.

It is improving.

[CHORUS]

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[RECAP]

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Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

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