LESSON 13 小説が好きです
SHÔSETSU GA SUKI DESU

さくら  ロドリゴさんの趣味は何ですか。 Rodrigo, what is your hobby?
Sakura  RODORIGO-SAN NO SHUMI WA
RODRIGO  読書です。特に歴史小説が好きです。 It’s reading books.
Rodrigo  DOKUSHO DESU.
TOKUNI REKISHI SHÔSETSU GA
SUKI DESU.
さくら  へえ、新宿に新しい本屋が出来ましたよ。 Oh. A new bookstore has
Sakura  みんなで行きませんか。 opened in Shinjuku.
HÈ. SHINJUKU NI ATARASHII
HON-YA GA DEKIMASHITA YO.
MINNA DE IKIMASEN KA.

Grammar Tips

① Noun-A WA Noun-B GA SUKI DESU (A likes B)

・ SUKI is an adjective meaning “to be fond of,” or “to like.”
・ Here, the particle GA indicates the object of an adjective.
  e.g.) ANNA WA MANGA GA SUKI DESU. (Anna likes MANGA.)

② __ MASEN KA (Why don’t we __?)

・ If you change MASU of MASU-form verbs to MASEN KA, you are inviting people to do something.
  e.g.) MINNA DE HON-YA NI IKIMASU. (We will all go together to the bookstore.)
  ⇒ MINNA DE HON-YA NI IKIMASEN KA. (Why don’t we all go together to the bookstore?)

③ 2 types of adjectives

・ Adjectives are divided basically into two kinds.
  Those that end with the syllable I are called I-adjectives. The others are called NA-adjectives.
  I-adjectives  : ATARASHII (new)  ATARASHII HON (a new book)
  NA-adjectives : SUKI (fond of)  SUKINA HON (the book I like)

Sound Words

KIRAKIRA
It describes something that is shining or sparkling.

PIKAPIKA
It describes something that has become clean and is shining after being polished.