

Yuki ga mitai desu

I want to see the snow.



Today's Skit

- はる : ^{にほん}日本には慣れましたか。 Have you gotten used to Japan?
Haru : Niho¹n ni wa narema¹shita ka.
- タム : はい。 Yes.
Tam : Ha¹i.
- はる : ^{にほん}日本でどんなことがしたいですか。 What do you want to do while you're in the country?
Haru : Niho¹n de do¹nna koto¹ ga shita¹i de¹su ka.
- タム : ええと、^{ゆき}雪が見たいです。 Let's see.
Tam : Eeto, yuki¹ ga mita¹i de¹su. I want to see the snow.
- ^{ほっかいどう}北海道^いに行きたいです。 I want to go to Hokkaido.
Tam : Hokka¹idoo ni ikita¹i de¹su.
- ミーヤー: ^{ほっかいどう}北海道! いいね。 Hokkaido!
Mi Ya : Hokka¹idoo! I¹i ne. Sounds good.
- タム : あと・・・^{ともだち}友達^あに会いたいです。 Also...
Tam : A'to...tomodachi ni aita¹i de¹su. I want to see my friend.
- はる : おや? Uh oh!
Haru : Oya?
- ミーヤー: ^{だいじょうぶ}大丈夫? ^{かお}顔^{あか}が赤いよ。 Are you OK?
Mi Ya : Daijo¹obu? Kao ga akai yo. You're blushing.

Vocabulary

^{にほん}日本 Japan

Niho¹n

^{ゆき}雪 snow

yuki¹

どんな what kind of

do¹nna

^み見る see

mi¹ru

する do

suru

^あ会う meet

a¹u

Key Phrase

ゆき み
雪が見たいです。

Yuki¹ ga mitaⁱ de¹su.

I want to see the snow.

To say what you want to do, change “masu” in the verb's MASU-form to “tai.” “Mitaⁱ” is the TAI-form of “mimasu” (“miru” or “to see”). “Desu” at the end makes it polite. To indicate the object of what you want to do, use particles “o” or “ga.”

Use It!

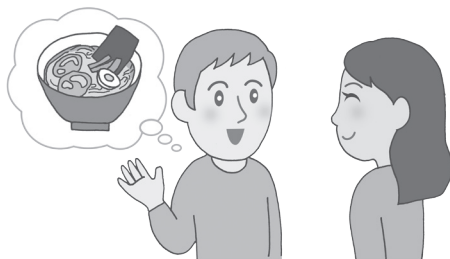
日本で何がしたいですか。

Nihoⁿ de naⁿⁱ ga shitaⁱ de¹su ka.

ラーメンが食べたいです。

Ra^amen ga tabet^ai de¹su.

What do you want to do in Japan?
I want to eat ramen.



Try It Out!

～たいです。 I want to XXX.

～taⁱ de¹su.

① 金閣寺

Kiⁿkakuji

Kinkakuji Temple

行きます (行く)

ikima¹su (iku)

go

② 浴衣

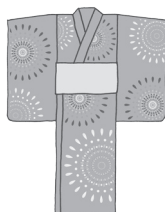
yukata

summer kimono

買います (買う)

kaima¹su (kau)

buy



Bonus Phrase

大丈夫?

Daijo¹obu?

Are you OK?

Use this phrase when you're concerned about someone. A more polite version is “daijoobu desu ka.”



Haru-san's Bagful of Advice

Lifestyle in Japanese Homes

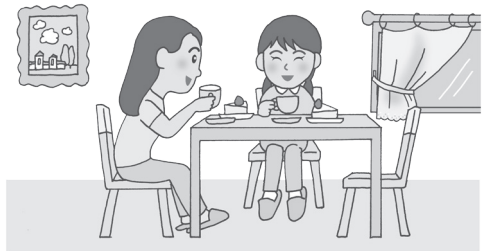
Japanese houses often have both Japanese-style and Western-style rooms. In Japanese-style rooms, the flooring is tatami mats made of woven rush straw. People sit around low tables on floor cushions and sleep on futon mattress placed directly on the tatami.

Japanese-style room



Western-style rooms have wooden or carpeted floors, and people often use tables and chairs in them. Western-style rooms have now become more common. Many houses blend the two styles.

Western-style room



Futon mattresses



Answer ① きんかくじ い 金閣寺に行きたいです。 Ki'nkakuji ni ikita'i de'su.
② ゆかた か 浴衣が買いたいです。 Yukata ga kaita'i de'su.