

# SOAS LANGUAGE CENTRE

## Japanese Language and Culture Marugoto 1

**Main Text: (2013) *Mrugoto Nihon no Kotoba to Bunka A1 Katsudou*. Sanshuusha: Tokyo, Japan**

**Grammar text: (2013) *Mrugoto Nihon no Kotoba to Bunka A1 Rikai*. Sanshuusha: Tokyo, Japan**

### Overview of course contents

- Exchange greetings
- Recognise Japanese characters
- Use basic classroom expressions
- Write name and country in Japanese
- Give simple self-introduction
- Talk briefly about their family
- Talk about favourite foods
- Offer someone a drink
- Talk about their breakfast
- Arrange where to go for lunch
- Read a menu
- Order food and drinks

### Synopsis

The Japan Foundation & SOAS Language and Culture Course (Beginner Level) is a new kind of course for absolute beginners in Japanese. It is equivalent to the Japan Foundation Standard for Japanese Language Education, A1 Breakthrough. The course is based on new communicative approaches rather than traditional methods of language education that focus purely on grammar and sentence structure. It uses the *Marugoto Coursebooks*, new textbooks published by the Japan Foundation.

The aim of this course is to use Japanese language skills to get to know people, order in Japanese restaurants and take part in many other Japan-related events. At the end of each session, participants will be able to perform specific, practical tasks in Japanese. Students completing this course are able to continue to **Japanese Language and Culture Marugoto 2**.