

# MASTERING JAPANESE SENTENCE STRUCTURE – WORD ORDER, PARTICLES & CLAUSES



# BASIC JAPANESE SENTENCE STRUCTURE – SOV ORDER

 IN ENGLISH:

✓ "I EAT SUSHI." (SUBJECT +  
VERB + OBJECT – SVO)

 IN JAPANESE:

✓ 私は寿司を食べます。

(WATASHI WA SUSHI O  
TABEMASU.)

✓ (SUBJECT + OBJECT + VERB –  
SOV)

 PRACTICE:

✓ REARRANGE: "SHE DRINKS  
COFFEE." → 彼女はコーヒーを  
飲みます。

# MASTERING JAPANESE PARTICLES (は, が, に, で, を)

=  IMPORTANT PARTICLES &  
THEIR USES:

PARTICLE FUNCTION EXAMPLE  
SENTENCE

は (WA)

TOPIC MARKER

私は学生です。(I AM A STUDENT.)

が (GA)

SUBJECT MARKER

犬が好きです。(I LIKE DOGS.)

を (O)

OBJECT MARKER

寿司を食べます。(I EAT SUSHI.)

に (NI)

# BUILDING COMPLEX SENTENCES WITH CLAUSES

## HOW TO COMBINE SENTENCES WITH

"から" (BECAUSE) & "けど" (BUT):

✓ "BECAUSE IT'S RAINING, I WON'T GO OUT."

→ 雨が降っているから、出かけません。(AME GA FUTTEIRU KARA, DEKAKEMASEN.)

✓ "I WANT TO GO, BUT I AM BUSY."

→ 行きたいけど、忙しいです。(IKITAI KEDO, ISOGASHII DESU.)

 PRACTICE:

✓ WRITE A SENTENCE USING "から" (BECAUSE).