PECULIAR FACTS ABOUT JAPANESE LANGUAGE YOU MIGHT FIND SURPRISING

With its numerous honorifics and four systems of writing, Japanese is no exception to the rule that Asian people speak the most difficult languages. Here are some interesting facts the Japanese language can surprise you with:

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No plurals and no articles

While this might be an advantage to a person learning the language, it sure causes Japanese people some problems while studying and using English.



Japanese is widely used on the internet

Online user data regarding Asia Pacific shows that East Asia had the highest number of internet users with Japan ranking third in the region with 101 million internet users.



One of the most fast-paced spoken languages

Japan has a spoken syllable rate of nearly eight syllables per second. This is faster than Spanish, French, and Italian. However, Japanese also has the lowest amount of information density per second.



Politeness is a must in Japan

Special grammatical forms and even vocabulary are being used to show respect. Using this polite speech is necessary when communicating with people that do not have the same status as you.

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