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# Hikoichi: Japanese Reader Collection, Volume 1



## Synopsis

Japanese Reader Collection Volume 1: Hikoichi, the audiobook version. Four complete stories in audiobook format for upper beginner level students of Japanese. This complete Audiobook is designed to not require the e-book or paperback. Improve your Japanese listening comprehension while walking the dog, driving in your car, or while cooking dinner. All the audio in this instant download has been newly recorded and mastered. In addition to the slow and normal speed Japanese of the stories, it also includes a line by line MP3 with English translation of each vocabulary.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This is a great way to learn to read Japanese in a fun and interesting way. These stories contain a variety of Kanji and of course a lot of Kana. This is part of a series of books that include a variety of interesting stories and characters. Highly recommended for people who know a little Japanese grammar and are interested in learning to read more fluently.

Nicely adapted and well put together for the beginning audience, not to mention quite fun! Haven't found better Japanese learning material for the price anywhere for English speakers. With the high-quality supporting audio and all the formats available with this single purchase, it provides an amazing value. Many thanks, Clay and Yumi!

This and its siblings (the inch-high samurai and the little match girl) are nice little books of which

one would like to find more on kindle store. It is the right level for a student who has mastered the kana and the basic constructions. It is true that the writing is sometimes pale, making the reading less easy. There seem to be a hardware problem here. If this is any solace, it is worse with other Japanese books for Kindle (see samples from Akutagawa or Natsume Soseki) There is, however, a simple trick to enlarge the characters: change the orientation and make the long side of the device horizontal. The little books become quite readable then. It is also true that short reminders of some relevant grammar points would be welcome.

Perhaps it's because I'm just at the right level of Japanese study, but I liked these stories. I could practice my reading (because there were only a few kanji) and the stories themselves were rewarding. They were short enough not to be overwhelming. I knew when I got the book that I couldn't alter the font, but I read it just fine on my kindle. I can imagine it would be difficult on a smaller screen though. I am looking for more Hikoichi stories after reading these.

I am a little past beginner in Japanese. Can read/write in both hiragana and katakana and know some kanji. A little rusty, but anyway.... This book isn't bad. There are 5 stories, each a little more difficult than the next. All stories have 3 parts, one with the Japanese on top and a sort of dictionary of the words on the bottom of each page. If you have ever looked at any books similar to this, it is the same format. Most of these Japanese reading books for beginners have the vocabulary on the bottom. There isn't a lot of kanji, so nothing really out there. The second part of each story is strictly in Japanese. Then the third part is the summary. The summary is the only thing I have issue with. When I bought it, I thought it would have been an actual translation of the story in English, but they are just summaries. So, just be aware of that when purchasing. If you are a beginner then this might be frustrating for you. I am a little further along so isn't a big deal for me personally. I would put the difficulty level somewhere between the various children stories, and the other Japanese reader books. That is not meant as an insult, but it seems to fit nice for a "next step" in reading.

I have purchased other Japanese readers but this is the first book I have started and finished AND comprehended! The four short stories are entertaining for beginners and I'd say even more advanced (I studied Japanese for 4 years and absolutely enjoyed these stories). The running gloss I love because as a learner I tend to forget a word even if I've seen it 5 times already, and with this gloss I can count on the word being included on the same page without going back to look for it. Reading these readers I think are a good foundation before moving on to the more advanced

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This was great practice for me while it lasted, but there are too few stories considering the price. Also, for better practice there should be a version of the text without furigana to test whether one has learned the kanji.

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