

Lesson 22

It's a volcanic spring.

Target: Having a conversation about hot springs.

Vocabulary

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Hot springs



Related vocabulary

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| - minerals | - to bathe | - etiquette |
| - a hot stone massage | - to unwind | - to be located... |
| - to be heated to a temperature of... | - to zone out | - to be volcanic |
| - to be nude | - to take a load off | - to be silky smooth |
| - ... in the nude / buff | - to let the stress fade away | - to be geothermal |
| - nudity | - to soak | - a spring |
| - to feel awkward | - to go pruny | - a body of water |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What different hot springs have you been to?
2. What is the normal etiquette of bathing in a hot spring?
3. What are outdoor and indoor tubs commonly made out of?
4. What was your last trip to a hot spring like?
5. What's the difference between "onsen" and "sentō"?
6. How long do you usually soak the tub for?
7. Have you ever had a hot stone massage?
8. What temperature is the water usually heated to?
9. Do you usually stay in the water until you go pruny?
10. Are there a lot of hot springs scattered along the coast of Japan?

Partner #2: Questions

1. Why do some people feel awkward when they go to a hot spring?
2. How do onsens break down barriers in regards to getting to know people?
3. Where do you think hot spring's healing powers are derived from?
4. Which parts of Japan are famous for hot springs? Have you ever been there?
5. What's the nicest hot spring you have ever visited?
6. Do you ever get a hot stone massage or other treatment at hot springs?
7. How long do you usually soak in the bath? Do you ever zone out?
8. What do the following Japanese onsen related words mean: kyūkeishitsu, irezumi kinshi, Kake-yu, Utiburo, Arai-ba, Datui- zyo, Rotenburo, Dai-yoku-zyō, Kakenagashi, Hikiyu, Utase-yu, Ne-yu, Yu-atari, Naga-yu, Gensen, Nuru-yu?

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

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| 1. Role play: | Partner #1: You don't really want to go to an onsen. But you've never been before.
Partner #2: Persuade your friend to come with you by explaining the good point of an onsen. |
| 2. Speech: | Explain the rules for attending a hot spring. |
| 3. Speech: | Tell the class about your last trip to a hot spring. |
| 4. Debate: | You think you should be able to wear a swimsuit in a hot spring, but your partner disagrees. |