Japanese 12 (Spring 2010)

Preparation for the final examination:

(1) ことわざ – Stage 3-7;
   • be able to explain the ones in the book;
   • be able to explain the ones you have selected for your practice session;
   • be able to use some of them in a discourse.

(2) 四字熟語（よじゅくご） - Stage 3-8;
   • be able to explain the ones in the textbook;
   • be able to explain the ones you have selected for your practice session;
   • be able to use them in a discourse.

(3) 「キッチン」
   • be able to summarize the gist of the story after Eriko’s death;
   • be able to describe emotional changes of both Yuichi and Mikage;
   • be able to discuss some hidden meanings of sentences in the story.

All are timed-writing. I will make sure that you will be able to complete everything in two hours and so you have time to look over what you have written.

Be sure to e-mail me or come to my office if you have any questions.
Office hours during the exam period: M – F 10-12 or make an appointment.

Things to keep in mind when writing:

• Avoid repeating simple sentences; mix simple and complex sentences;
• Do not mix the writing style (all polite or all plain – not mixed);
• Use conjunctions and adverbs appropriately; they are very effective – they will make your sentences far better than not using them;
• Make each paragraph clear; make sure that each paragraph has a specific topic.