

FLJ302 -- Homework due 2009.01.27 -- Worksheet on Contrast Particles:

1. Tanaka ate sushi. (Start with just the plain sentence: without comparison to anything):
田中さんが おすしを 食べた。
2. Tanaka also (= in addition to other people) ate sushi. (Use comparative particles as appropriate):
田中さんも おすしを 食べた。
3. Tanaka ate sushi also (= in addition to other foods):
田中さんが おすしも 食べた。
4. Tanaka only (= and no other people) ate sushi:
田中さんだけ おすしを 食べた。
5. Tanaka ate sushi only (= he ate no other foods):
田中さんが おすしだけ 食べた。
6. Tanaka (and maybe some of the other people, but let's not specify) ate sushi:
田中さんは おすしを 食べた。
7. No one but Tanaka ate sushi:
田中さんしか おすしを 食べなかった。
8. Tanaka ate sushi (= and only sushi, as if he were ignoring all the other food):
田中さんが おすしばかり 食べた。
9. Even Yamada (= who usually doesn't like Japanese food) ate sushi:
山田さんさえ おすしを 食べた。
10. I ate four pieces (using -つ) of sushi. (Is any comparison necessary?):
おすしを 四つ 食べた。
11. I ate as many as seven (= a big number, not just five or six) pieces of sushi:
おすしを 七つも 食べた。
12. I ate at least two (= but maybe more) pieces of sushi:
おすしを 二つは 食べた。
13. I ate only two (= and not more) pieces of sushi:
おすしを 二つだけ 食べた。
14. I ate exactly two (= no more, no less) pieces of sushi:
おすしを 二つばかり 食べた。
15. Today (unlike some other days, when I eat different amounts), I'll eat three pieces of sushi:
今日は おすしを 三つ 食べる。
16. Today (unlike any other day), I'll eat sushi:
今日こそ おすしを 食べる。
17. Today, too (= in addition to other days), I'll eat sushi:
今日も おすしを 食べる。
18. As for sushi (= but not necessarily other foods), I don't eat it (= although I may have other plans for it):
おすしは 食べは しない。
or おすしは 食べや しない。
19. As for the sushi, I haven't eaten it (= although I may have been staring at it for the past hour):
おすしは 食べては いない。
20. As for sushi, I do not eat it with a fork (= although I might eat it with some other utensil):
おすしは フォークでは 食べない。