# Mini Presentation: Sempai's Capstone

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## Title and Name

Onomatopoeia: A Comparative Study of Usage, Awareness, and Perception Between Japanese and American University Students

By Alexander Dacuyan

#### **Research Questions**

How is onomatopoeia usage and awareness different between Japanese and American university students?

How is the perception of using onomatopoeia different between Japanese and American university students?

# What They Found

- Japan have more Onomatopoeia than American
- Japan uses more Onomatopoeia and are more aware of their uses
- Both Japanese and American find Onomatopoeia important for describing emotions or feelings
- American students tend to find Onomatopoeia as either childish or mature. Whereas Japanese students did not tend to categorize them as either.

### Literature Review

What is Onomatopoeia?

Examples and Types of Onomatopoeia

Onomatopoeia Usage

# My Thoughts

#### Very interesting Topic

- When and why Onomatopoeias are used by Japanese or Americans
- Fairly detailed paper
  - explains each part of his research questions and what he was looking for.
  - Presented his finding in a straight forward manner.
- However, the Japanese version of the paper seem to hold more information, as it included graphs to display his findings.