

# Maki Honda (Japanese)



Motto: "I am a human before being a teacher."

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Maki's school supports her local board of education by sending out teachers to their public elementary schools. She is clearly making a difference in her community.

**Helene's comment:** "I have always been impressed with Maki's enthusiasm for teaching and her devotion to her students. She is constantly striving for improvement. I know for sure that her positive attitude is an inspiration to all her students and their parents."

## **Maki's comment:**

I had many challenges when I started teaching. Helene-sensei's TEMI online seminar came to my rescue. She taught me not only how to teach English, but also how to treat children in a manner that would help them learn. I also learned a lot from Sohei-sensei and Soshi-sensei's teaching advice. I could relate to the stories of my fellow-attendees who have many concerns. The TEMI seminars have become a place of inspiration, affirmation and relaxation for me. This award feels like an OTOSHIDAMA, a surprise present from my former boss in heaven. Thank you very much!

