

# (Issie)

Basic to the Issie concern was a feeling, the expectation and likelihood that someday they would return to Japan with their families, for Japan was still home to them. America was a temporary residence.

In most cases, in all the years they had lived in the United States they had not bothered to learn English. Imagine if you will the difficulties involved in living working and raising a family in a country where you could not speak the language.

Issie would say -

Oh - lip-ee - for all right  
Sun - key - you for thank you.

Itah - Ya for were

O-sue - mala - you - what's the matter with you

No gut-ee-you - no good

Cohee - coffee

Butt - uh butter

Hem - bow - Coo Itah - key Hamburger steak

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