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Coaching in Japan, much like coaching in the United Kingdom, grew out of the North American tradition. The key players in the emergence of coaching in Japan were Mamoru Itoh, Masato Homma, and Hide Enomoto.

In Japan Mamoru Itoh founded a human awareness company called IBD “It’s a Beautiful Day” which was based on Lifespring. According to Masato Homma, Mr. Ito wrote a simple cartoon type book with the same name and sold 300,000 copies by 1998, and trained almost that many individuals in the It’s a Beautiful Day conversation, which was about creating from a more conscious level or view of the planet. In 1998 Mr. Ito started Coach 21 and licensed Coach U materials for use in Japan.

Another Japanese company, PHP (Peace and Happiness through Prosperity), was run by Mr. Tajika, who used to work for Breakthrough Technologies, which was Landmark Japan. In Breakthrough Technologies trainings a facilitator is called a coach. Masato Homma, creator of Learnology (the science of learning), at one time worked for PHP providing corporate management training and indicated PHP’s coach training program content was NLP based.

In 1999 Enomoto published a coaching book called Stretch Your People by Coaching; by 2006 it had sold more than 100,000 copies (Enomoto, 2006, pers. com.). The response was so great that Enomoto was able to bring CTI to Japan in May 2000, when H. Kimsey-House and Enomoto himself presented the first workshop. According to Enomoto (2006, pers. com.), “I thought we might have to change how we present our programs, but it turned out that I was wrong. Japanese people loved it the way it was.”

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“Fritz Perls (1893-1970), co-developer of Gestalt therapy, emphasized being in the here and now, and taking responsibility for our choices.”

~ Vikki Brock ~
Executive leadership coach and author

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