

D Lab Supply Chains  
EC.733

Assignment for WEDNESDAY, November 12

Toyota Production System

1. Please go to web site:

[http://www.toyota-global.com/company/vision\\_philosophy/toyota\\_production\\_system/](http://www.toyota-global.com/company/vision_philosophy/toyota_production_system/)

and review the material here. There is a ten question quiz on the Toyota production system. After reading the material about TPS, please take this quiz.

Another overview of TPS can be found at <http://www.tssc.com/tps.asp>

2. Read the paper "Decoding the DNA of the Toyota Production System" by Spear and Bowen
3. Watch the movie Jiro Dreams of Sushi  
<http://www.amazon.com/Jiro-Dreams-Sushi-Ono/dp/B007UW9W0Q>
4. Reflect on the ideas in (1) and (2) as they might apply or appear in (3). Write a short memo (1 to 2 pages) discussing your observations.

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