

Lesson 15: How to Ask a Favour

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1. Dialogue

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, practice each role.

Jenny: Kei, I've got a favour to ask. Kei: Sure thing. What is it? Jenny: Would you mind doing the dishes tonight? I'm really tired. Kei: I can do that. Is that all? Jenny: Well, actually, the dog needs to be walked too. Kei: Alright. Do the dishes, and then walk the dog. I hope that is all. Jenny: In case you pass by the bakery when you take the dog out, please buy some bread. Kei: Okay. I've got to go now before you ask me for another favour.

2. Today's Phrase

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, make a few sentences using Today's phrase.

- 1. A: Help me with my bags, will you? B: Sure thing.
- 2. Don't worry about your job application. You'll get the job. It's a sure thing.
- 3. A: Thank you for coming to my party. B: Sure thing.
- * "sure thing" is also used as a response to "thank you" to express 'no thanks necessary' or 'no problem'

* Sure thing / もちろん; 確かなこと

3. Your Task

You need to borrow some money from a classmate (= your tutor). Explain why you need the money and then ask him/ her to lend it to you in a polite way.

4. Let's Talk

Do you think you are a person who can ask a favour from others casually? Are you someone who finds it difficult to ask people for a favour? Tell your tutor why you are good or not good at asking favours. And then, ask your teacher how he/she is at asking favours.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words.

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