

Lesson 22: How to Make an Appointment

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1. Dialogue

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

Akihiro: Hello. Can I please speak to Mr. Stewart?

John: I'm afraid he's in a meeting until lunch time. Can I take a message?

Akihiro: Well, I was hoping I could arrange an appointment with him. Who am I speaking to?

John: This is John, Mr. Stewart's assistant. May I know who's calling?

Akihiro: Hello, John. I'm Akihiro from ABC Company. Will you be able to tell me Mr. Stewart's

availability?

John: Sure, sir. Let me check his diary. Hang on a minute.

Akihiro: If possible, I'd like to meet with him next week on Wednesday, the 15th.

John: Oh, he'll be out of the office all day on the 15th. Is the 18th convenient for you?

Akihiro: Yes, I could make it on the 18th. Shall we say around 1:00PM? John: Perfect! I'll inform Mr. Stewart. We'll be expecting you in the office.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. Is next Monday convenient for you?
- 2. What about on the 25th of June? Is that convenient for you?
- 3. I can only see you at 8:30AM. Is that time convenient for you?

* Is ... convenient for you? / ...はあなたにとってご都合良いですか?

3. Your Task

You are a sales person and you'd like to show your product to a big company. Fortunately for you, when you called the office, the CEO (=your tutor) was the one who answered. How will you set an appointment with someone very important?

4. Let's Talk

Is it customary for the Japanese to always be on time? If someone is late for his/her appointment with you, how would you react? Have you ever been late for an appointment? If yes, tell your teacher all about it.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.