

Lesson 48: At a Hair Salon or a Barbershop

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1. Dialogue

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

Machiko: I'm getting bored of my hairstyle. What do you suggest I do with it?

Susan: A perm would give you a nice look. Machiko: I'd love to have permed hair.

Susan: I suggest large curls. Some red highlights will make it even prettier.

Machiko: Oh, I'm so excited. But, wait. How long will it take to perm and dye my hair?

Susan: We'll be done in five hours, tops.

Machiko: In that case, I'll just have a haircut. My boyfriend is waiting for me at the cafe. I told him it

would just take a while.

Susan: Why don't you tell him to come here? He probably needs a haircut or a nail buff.

Machiko: He doesn't like salons. He said they are not manly places. Susan: Girl, that's just another way of saying he can't afford the salon.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. It may take a while before the medicine takes effect.
- 2. (In the car) Do you mind if we stop by the bakery for some bread? It'll just take a while.
- 3. A: I have a new puppy. It cries every night. B: It will take a while for the puppy to adjust to a new home.

* It will take a while / それは少し時間がかかる

3. Your Task

You are going to a costume party. You have already decided on a costume. You're now in the salon/barbershop to have your hair, makeup or facial effects done. Give your stylist (=your tutor) a description of what you want done to your hair and face.

4. Let's Talk

Do you go to the same salon/barbershop every time you need a haircut? Why or why not? When was the last time you were in a salon/barbershop? What services did you have?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.