

Lesson 85: Smoking

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1. Dialogue

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

Miho: (in a restaurant) Can you spot me a cig?

Paul: I don't have any cigarettes. You shouldn't smoke here, anyway. It's a non-smoking area.

Miho: Actually, I'm trying to quit. That's why I don't have any cigarettes on me.

Paul: Then you really shouldn't be smoking at all.

Miho: This is the nth time that I've attempted to stop this habit.

Paul: I used to smoke too. When I quit, I used nicotine patches and nicotine gums to help me get through the craving.

Miho: Are they widely available?

Paul: Yes, they are. What made you quit, anyway?

Miho: My uncle passed away last month. He had lung cancer. He had puffed smoke ever since I can remember.

Paul: I'm sorry to hear that.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. For the nth time, I'm asking you to please clean up your dog's poop. It's stinking up the hallway.
- 2. This is the nth time I've told you to turn off the computer and go to bed.
- 3. A: Ma'am, could you repeat the lesson? I'm still lost. B: Okay. I'll explain it again, for the nth time.

* the nth time / 何回目か分からないほどの

3. Your Task

You are staying on the non-smoking floor in a hotel. While walking to your room, you saw a man smoking in the hallway. Politely ask the man (=your tutor) to not smoke there. Then, call reception to complain about or report the smoker in the hallway.

4. Let's Talk

Do you smoke? If yes, how many times have you tried to quit? If not, why don't you like to smoke? Are you worried about smoking-related diseases? Explain your answer.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.

