

Lesson 88: Stalkers

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1. Dialogue

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

Shigeo: I had fun at the party last night.

Beth: It was a blast! I have posted some of our party photos on Facebook. Check out my FB page.
(pointing at the computer screen)

Shigeo: Is it safe to be posting all this information on the internet for everyone to see?

Beth: I think so. It's pretty useful when you want to find out something about someone. **Speaking of which**, I met someone last night. I'm going to take a peek at his Facebook page.

Shigeo: You shouldn't be doing that.

Beth: Why shouldn't I? (reading something on the computer screen) Oh, look! He is a computer programmer. Hmm... Now I know where he hangs out every night. I think I might go there tonight.

Shigeo: Are you stalking him?

Beth: Of course not. I just want to get to know him better.

Shigeo: Why don't you just call him up and talk to him? It's better than stalking him online.

Beth: That would make me seem too forward. I'll just pretend that I bumped into him at the izakaya.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. I have to prepare for tomorrow's meeting. **Speaking of which**, is the conference room ready?
2. You should dress warmly. It's freezing cold outside. **Speaking of which**, where is my wool coat?
3. The price of gasoline had gone up again. **Speaking of which**, did you fill up the car like I told you to?

* Speaking of which / そういえば (相手の話したことに対して)

3. Your Task

You have just found out that your young daughter has a Facebook account. You saw that she has posted a lot of information about herself, including photos. Talk to her (=your tutor) and about her Facebook page. Explain why it's not a good thing to give too much information to the public. You should also give her some rules or limitations on what she posts on the internet.

4. Let's Talk

Have you ever experienced having a stalker?

Tell your tutor about it. Have you ever been a stalker?

What do you think about exposing yourself on the internet such as Facebook? Explain your answer.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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