

Lesson 97: Mt. Fuji

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1. Dialogue

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

Bart: I'm planning to climb Mount Fuji. When is the best time to do that?

Chikako: It's only open to hikers from July to early September. It's best to climb it in August when the weather is a bit more stable.

Bart: Isn't there a long holiday in August?

Chikako: **There's one** around the second week of August. I wouldn't recommend you to go trekking that time.

Bart: Why not?

Chikako: The mountain will be crowded with hikers.

Bart: I was hoping you could come with me to Mount Fuji during the long holiday.

Chikako: I've already been to the summit. I don't think I want to climb Mount Fuji again.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. A: Is there a drug store around here? B: **There's one** at the end of the street.
2. (On a crowded street) A: Do you see a policeman around? B: **There's one** over there!
3. A: Has there ever been an Olympic athlete who has won more than twenty medals?
B: **There's one**. His name is Michael Phelps.

* There's one / ひとつある、ひとりいる

3. Your Task

Your friend is going to climb Mount Fuji for the first time. Give him (=your tutor) some advice on what to bring to the climb and other helpful tips.

4. Let's Talk

Have you climbed Mount Fuji?

If you have, tell your tutor about the experience.

If not, why haven't you climbed it?

What is the significance of Mount Fuji to the Japanese people?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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