

## Lesson 5: Job Interview

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### 1. Dialogue

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

Asuka used to work for Ample Computers. During her interview for a new job, she has to explain why she left Ample Computers.

Asuka: Good morning, sir. (shakes hands with Bill). I'm Asuka Ikezawa.

Bill: It's nice to meet you, Ms. Ikezawa. Please take a seat. Your resume is very impressive.

Asuka: I'm glad to hear that, sir. I was fortunate to have been mentored by good people in my previous company.

Bill: **How come** you're not with Ample Computers anymore?

Asuka: The owners decided to restructure in order to stay afloat. I'm the youngest one, so I was one of the first employees to be dismissed.

Bill: Do you think they made a right decision in letting you go?

Asuka: In terms of losing a skillful employee, I definitely think they made a mistake. On the other hand, they're doing the right thing by keeping the older ones.

Bill: It's good that you see it that way.

### 2. Today's Phrase

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

1. If you're earning so much money, **how come** you're always broke?
2. **How come** birds fly south in the winter?
3. A: I didn't get the job. B: (Surprised) **How come**?

\* **How come ~ ?** / どうして~?

### 3. Your Task

You have just received a call from a company you applied to. The caller wants a phone interview with you right now. But you are ill-prepared and currently busy with something important. Tell the caller (= your interviewer) that you need to reschedule the phone interview for another time. Give a good reason too.

### 4. Let's Talk

Have you ever lied during a job interview? Explain your answer.

Is it a good idea to ask about the salary during the interview? Why or why not?

How should we act during a job interview?

### 5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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