

Lesson 28: Bank Transactions

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1. Dialogue

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

Takuya would like to wire some money to Japan. Peter is a bank employee, and he's helping Takuya with the transaction.

Peter: Hello, sir. What can I do for you today?

Takuya: I'd like to transfer some money to a bank account in Japan.

Peter: Do you have an account with us?

Takuya: Yes. I have a savings account. Here's my passbook, and this is my I.D.

Peter: Thank you, sir. I'm going to ask you to fill out this form. You have to indicate the name of the bank in Japan, and the name of the recipient.

Takuya: Oh, okay.

Peter: It will also be easier for us to transfer the money if you have the swift code of the Japanese

Takuya: I've got it here. (Handing a piece of paper to Peter) I've transferred money to the same bank in the past.

Peter: Now that we have everything we need, we can wire the money. How much money would you like to send?

Takuya: I'd like to wire \$5,000, please.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. Now that Brad Pitt is rich and famous, he can get better movie roles.
- 2. Jack is taking a vacation now that his big project is finished.
- 3. Now that the company is expanding, the CEO is busier than ever.

* **now that** ~ / 今や~だから、~である以上

3. Your Task

Your job contract in the U.S. is finished. You would like to close your US bank account and transfer all your money to your bank account in Japan. Tell the bank teller (=your tutor) the transactions you want to make.

She will ask you why you're closing the account. Give a good explanation.

4. Let's Talk

Talk about your experience in transferring/wiring money in the past. What are other ways of sending money aside from transferring it through a bank?

Is it risky to wire money to another country? Why do you say so?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.

