

Lesson 34: Reporting Work-Related Issues

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1. Dialogue

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

Takeshi has been observing the new employee, Molly Hooper. He thinks that she's not been doing her job well. He is talking to his boss, Mr. Watson, about Molly.

Takeshi: Good morning, sir. Can I talk to you for a second?

Mr. Watson: Sure, Takeshi. What is it?

Takeshi: It's about the new clerk, Molly Hooper. She's not been very efficient in her work. It's affecting my job too.

Mr. Watson: Miss Hooper is a new employee. It's quite natural that she makes mistakes.

Takeshi: She's been training for six months now. I think it's time to give her a proper evaluation.

Mr. Watson: I didn't realize she'd already been working here that long.

Takeshi: What do you say, Mr. Watson? Can we give her an evaluation? Molly could **benefit from** honest criticism from her co-workers.

Mr. Watson: You're right. Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Takeshi: No problem, Mr. Watson.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. I continually **benefit from** my grandmother's wisdom.
2. The employees knew that they could **benefit from** listening to the president's speech.
3. I don't understand why you play online games every night. What do you **benefit from** that?

* **benefit from [by] ~** / ~から恩恵を受ける、~によって利益を得る

3. Your Task

Your co-worker's desk is always messy. He has lost a lot of important documents. Sometimes, office papers even have coffee or ketchup stains on them. You've already talked to him about this but the situation has not changed.

Tell your manager (=your tutor) about your co-worker's issue.

4. Let's Talk

What kind of work issues have you experienced in your office?

How do you usually resolve problems at work?

How do you avoid disagreements with your co-workers?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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