

Lesson 53: Resignation

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1. Dialogue

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

Akemi is talking to Mr. Holmes about her resignation. Mr. Holmes is trying to convince her to stay with the company.

Akemi: Sir, I've got something important to tell you.

Mr. Holmes: What is it, Akemi?

Akemi: I have decided to resign from my job.

Mr. Holmes: I'm surprised. Are you moving to another company? Akemi: Oh no, sir. I have to quit my job for the sake of my family. Mr. Holmes: I understand. What if I ask you to work part-time? Akemi: I never thought about that. But, I guess it could work out.

Mr. Holmes: That's a relief. Reliable workers don't come easy nowadays.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. He studied very hard for the sake of his future.
- 2. I do some exercises every morning for the sake of my health.
- 3. He brings up sensitive topics just for the sake of an argument.

* for the sake of ~ / ~の(利益の)ために

3. Your Task

You own a small company. Your most reliable employee (=your tutor) has informed you that he is resigning. Tell him that you're not pleased about his resignation. Politely inform him that according to the company rules, he has to stay with the company for a month after handing in his resignation.

4. Let's Talk

Talk about your experience of quitting a job.

What is an ideal job that you wouldn't ever quit? Explain your answer.

What are the rules for resignations in your company?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.

