

Lesson 59: Entertaining Business Associates

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1. Dialogue

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

Kazuya works for Hydra Computers, and Mr. Miller is a guest of the company. Kazuya is in charge of entertaining Mr. Miller.

Kazuya: Are you having a nice time in Japan?

Mr. Miller: **Thanks to** you, I'm having a great time.

Kazuya: Do you like sushi?

Mr. Miller: I love Japanese food.

Kazuya: After work, I'll take you to my favorite sushi restaurant.

Mr. Miller: I'm looking forward to it.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. **Thanks to** the brave policeman, the criminal was caught and sent to jail.
2. A: Is your car fixed?
B: Yes. **Thanks to** Mr. Lee. He's a really good mechanic.
3. **Thanks to** everyone's hard work, the project is finally complete.

* **thanks to** ~ / ~のおかげで

3. Your Task

An American business partner (=your tutor) is in Japan for a few weeks. You would like to take your business partner to dinner and to karaoke. Inform him of your plans. Ask him what he prefers to eat. He will say he'd like to have some ramen. Tell him about the best ramen shop in your town.

4. Let's Talk

In Japan, what are the usual ways of entertaining business associates and company guests?

Why is it important to entertain business partners and associates?

Talk about the last time you entertained a business associate.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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