

## 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 business associate. Now, Mr. Miller is in Japan as Hydra Computer's important guest. Kazuya is making sure that Mr. Miller will enjoy some entertainment during his visit.

Kazuya: How do you find Japan, Mr. Miller?

Mr. Miller: It's amazing. Everything here is quite unique.

Kazuya: Great! By the way, I hope you're not busy tonight. The company president would like to take you to a sushi restaurant for dinner.

Mr. Miller: I don't have any plans for tonight. A sushi dinner sounds good.

Kazuya: Have you ever been to any Japanese hot springs?

Mr. Miller: No, I haven't. But I have heard they're a good place to relax, and **get rid of** stress.

Kazuya: That's right. If you like, I could take you to a hot spring near the city.

Mr. Miller: That's really nice of you. I'd like that very much.

### 2. Today's Phrase

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

1. What's the best way to **get rid of** dog fleas?
2. He finally **got rid of** his old car and got a new one.
3. How did Jack **get rid of** his smoking habit?

\* **get rid of** ~ / ~を取り除く、処分する、一掃する

### 3. Your Task

You are visiting a branch office in Vietnam. Your Vietnamese business associates (=your tutor) would like to take you out for dinner and drinks tonight. But you are very tired from your trip and would like to rest tonight. Tell them what you would really like to do tonight, and that you would have dinner with them tomorrow night instead.

### 4. Let's Talk

What would you recommend for a foreign business associate to experience in Japan?

When you're on a business trip, do your business associates entertain you? Tell your tutor all about it.

In Japan, it's usual to take a business associate out for a drink. But what if a business associate doesn't drink alcohol?

### 5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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