

Lesson 79: Self-Introduction 2 (At a Job Interview)

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1. Dialogue

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

Ken is applying for a job and it's time for his interview.

Ken: Hello. I'm Ken Nakamura (shakes hands with Mr. Cooper).

- Mr. Cooper: Hello, Ken. I'm Bradley Cooper. I'll be conducting your interview today. Why don't you start by telling me more about yourself?
- Ken: I've just graduated from UCLA. Before coming to Tokyo, I worked for a software company in California for 2 years.

Mr. Cooper: Interesting. What's your reason for coming back to Japan?

Ken: I have a family now, and I thought it would be good to raise my kids here.

- Mr. Cooper: I see.
- Ken: I had a great opportunity to practice my programming skills in California. I was able to establish a good network in the software industry.
- Mr. Cooper: That's good to hear.
- Ken: As for my medium terms goals, I'd like to continue my education and take up a business course. My immediate goal though is to become an employee of your company.

Mr. Cooper: Do you think you are worthy of the position in our company? Ken: I believe I am, Mr. Cooper.

2. Today's Phrase

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

- 1. His work performance proved that he is worthy of their respect.
- 2. The mayor thinks that environmental projects are worthy of his support.
- 3. There are many issues in the world that are worthy of attention, such as the Ebola outbreak and the migrant crisis in Europe.

* be worthy of ~ / ~ に値する、 ~ を受ける価値がある

3. Your Task

You are being given a chance to introduce yourself in a job interview. Give a good self-introduction, and end it by telling your interviewer (=your tutor) why you want the position. Thank the interviewer for giving you a chance to speak about yourself.

4. Let's Talk

What are some important things to remember when introducing yourself in a job interview? How long should a self-introduction be (1 minute, 5 minutes, 10 minutes)? Explain your answer. Is it good to mention all your achievements in a self-introduction for a job interview? Why or why not?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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