

LESSON NOTES

Beginner #143

All Grown Up

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KANJI

1. 妻: だめよ。知らない人と話してはいけません。
2. 夫: はい、はい。あっ、うまそう！食べたい。
3. 妻: だめよ。太るわ。今食べてはいけません。
4. 夫: なんで！僕は子供じゃない！自由に生きたい。
5. 妻: だめよ。自由に生きてはいけません。あなたは私と結婚してるんだから。

KANA

1. つま: だめよ。知らないひととはなしてはいけません。
2. おっと: はい、はい。あっ、うまそう！たべたい。
3. つま: だめよ。ふとるわ。いまたべてはいけません。
4. おっと: なんで！ぼくはこどもじゃない！じゆうにいきたい。
5. つま: だめよ。じゆうにいきてはいけません。あなたはわたしとけっこんしてるんだから。

ROMANIZATION

1. TSUMA: Dame yo. Shiranai hito to hanashite wa ikemasen.

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2. OTTO: Hai, hai. A, umasō! Tabetai.
3. TSUMA: Dame yo. Futoru wa. Ima tabete wa ikemasen.
4. OTTO: Nande! Boku wa kodomo ja nai! Jiyū ni ikitai.
5. TSUMA: Dame yo. Jiyū ni ikite wa ikemasen. Anata wa watashi to kekkon shiteru n dakara.

ENGLISH

1. WIFE: No. You can't talk to strangers.
2. HUSBAND: Yeah, yeah. Ah, it looks delicious! I wanna eat it.
3. WIFE: No. You'll get fat. You can't eat now.
4. HUSBAND: Why! I'm not a child! I wanna live free.
5. WIFE: No. You can't live free, because you're married to me.

VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
美味しい	うまい	umai	skillful, delicious
太る	ふとる	futoru	to gain weight
痩せる	やせる	yaseru	to lose weight
生きる	いきる	ikiru	to live
自由	じゆう	jiyū	freedom
自由に	じゆうに	jiyū ni	freely

SAMPLE SENTENCES

食べ過ぎて、太ってしまった。

Tabe sugite futotte shimatta.

I gained weight because I ate too much.

忙しくて、自由な時間が全くない。

Isogashikute jiyū na jikan ga mattaku nai.

I'm so busy that I don't have any free time at all.

30歳になるまでは、仕事をしないで、自由に暮らしたい。

30-sai ni naru made wa shigoto o shinai de jiyū ni kurashitai.

I want to live life freely and not work until I turn thirty.

GRAMMAR

Today's grammar point is the phrase "*te wa ikemasen*," which is used to indicate that a certain action is not acceptable or permitted. This phrase is usually translated as "must not." It is sometimes translated as "cannot do something," but one should be aware that this phrase is referring to the acceptability of the action and not the possibility of the the action being executed. It is often used by a person of higher social status (e.g. teacher, parent, authoritative figure, etc.) or by someone standing on moral high ground (e.g. lecturing someone about smoking, etc.). As the user of this phrase is advising the listening party of unacceptable action, the polite tense is often used with this phrase. However, the politeness level depends on the situation, the urgency of it, and the relationship and social status of the parties involved.

Formation:

V,te-form + *wa ikenai*

Verb	<i>te</i> -form + <i>wa ikenai</i>	English
飲む <i>nomu</i>	飲んではいけない <i>nonde wa ikenai</i>	musn't drink something
食べる <i>taberu</i>	食べてはいけない <i>tabete wa ikenai</i>	musn't eat something

する *suru*

してはいけない *shite wa
ikenai*

musn't do something

Examples:

こんな男と付き合っではいけない！
Konna otoko to tsukiatte wa ikenai!
You can't date a guy like this!

授業はサボってははいけません。
Jugyō wa sabotte wa ikemasen.
You mustn't cut class.