

LESSON NOTES

Beginner S2 #34

What's Your Type?

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KANJI

1. 志穂: ねえ。美穂って太めの男の人が好みなのよね。
2. 美穂: 太めってというか、ガッチリした人がいいわ。
3. 志穂: ガッチリしてるって・・・私はマッチョな人は嫌だわ。
4. 美穂: 少しくらいマッチョの方が、男らしくていいじゃない。
5. 志穂: えーっ。私は細くて痩せてる人の方がいいわ。
6. 美穂: それは、あなたがデブだからよ。デブは痩せが好きなの！
7. 志穂: ひっひどい・・・。気にしてるのに。

KANA

1. しほ: ねえ。みほってふとめのおとこのひとがこのみなのよね。
2. みほ: ふとめってというか、ガッチリしたひとがいいわ。
3. しほ: ガッチリしてるって・・・わたしはマッチョなひとはいやだわ。
4. みほ: すこしくらいマッチョのほうが、おとこらしくていいじゃない。
5. しほ: えーっ。わたしはほそくてやせてるひとのほうがいいわ。
6. みほ: それは、あなたがデブだからよ。デブはやせがすきな の！
7. しほ: ひっひどい・・・。きにしてるのに。

ROMANIZATION

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1. SHIHO: Nee. Miho tte futome no otoko no hito ga konomi na no yo ne.
2. MIHO: Futome tte iu ka, gacchiri shita hito ga ii wa.
3. SHIHO: Gacchiri shiteru tte... watashi wa maccho na hito wa iya da wa.
4. MIHO: Sukoshi kurai maccho no hō ga, otoko rashikute ii ja nai.
5. SHIHO: Ē. watashi wa hosokute yaseteru hito no hō ga ii wa.
6. MIHO: Sore wa, anata ga debu dakara yo. Debu wa yase ga suki na no!
7. SHIHO: Hi..hidoi.... ki ni shiteru no ni.

ENGLISH

1. SHIHO: Miho, you like guys that are kinda big, don't you?
2. MIHO: Big, but a well-built guy is better.
3. SHIHO: A well-built guy is good... but macho guys are gross.
4. MIHO: I prefer kinda macho guys cuz I think they're manly.
5. SHIHO: I prefer thin, skinny guys.
6. MIHO: That's because you're fat. The fat always like the thin.
7. SHIHO: That's harsh! I'm sensitive about that!

VOCABULARY

Kanji	Kana	Romaji	English
太め	ふとめ	futome	on the thick side,rather thick
好み	このみ	konomi	liking, taste, choice,type
ガッチリ	がっちり	gacchiri	big-boned,stocky
少しくらい	すこしくらい	sukoshi kurai	a little
痩せ	やせ	yase	skinny,as thin as a stick

GRAMMAR

(i)~は~が好き

Suki is a *na*-adjective in Japanese, but it means "liking something" in English. Something in "like something" is the object in English, but in Japanese the thing liked is marked with the subject-marking *ga* particle.

Formation:

[Someone] *wa* [thing/person] *ga suki da*.

ねこはねずみが好きだ

Neko wa nezumi ga suki da.

Cats like mice.

In addition to "--- *wa* --- *ga suki da*," the sentences using "*kirai da*," "verb. possible" or "verb + *tai*" have the structure like " [someone] *wa* [object] *ga* [verb/adjective] ."

Examples:

サルは犬がきらいだ。

Saru wa inu ga kirai da.

Monkeys don't like dogs.

マーキーは日本語が話せる。

Mākī wa Nihongo ga hanaseru.

Marky can speak Japanese.

(私は)餃子が食べたい。

(*Watashi wa*) *gyōza ga tabetai.*
I want to eat *gyōza*.

(ii) How to express a person's body shape

Today, we introduce the various words to express a person's body shape.

Japanese	English
細い・ <i>hosoi</i>	thin
やせる・ <i>yaseru</i>	to lose weight
やせた・ <i>yaseta</i>	thin
やせ・ <i>yase</i>	thin person
がりがり・ <i>garigari</i>	to be very thin, skinny
ほっそりした・ <i>hossori shita</i>	skinny
中肉中背・ <i>chūniku chūzei</i>	average height and weight
太い・ <i>futoi</i>	fat
太る・ <i>futoru</i>	to gain weight
太った・ <i>futotta</i>	fat
デブ・ <i>debu</i>	fat person (impolite)
ガッチリした・ <i>gacchiri shita</i>	well-built

やせた・*yaseta* and 太った・*futotta* are the plain past form of verbs やせる・*yaseru* and 太る・*futoru* respectively, but these words are used to modify the following nouns. やせている・*yasete iru* and 太っている・*futotte iru*, which are the *te-iru* form of verbs やせる・*yaseru* and 太る・*futoru* respectively, have the same meaning as やせた・*yaseta* and 太った・*futotta*.

やせた人・*yaseta hito*; thin person = やせている人・*yasete iru hito*

太った人・*futotta hito*; fat person = 太っている人・*futotte iru hito*

In today's dialog, 痩せてる人・*yaseteru hito* is used, with the sound of *i* dropped. which is often heard in casual spoken Japanese.

Please note that やせ・*yase*, デブ・*debu*, or がりがり・*garigari* can sometimes hurt the feelings, so be careful with these.

(iii)~め(--*me*) in 太め(*futome*)

As we have 太め・*futome* in today's dialog, め・*me* can be attached to adjective stems which are expressing quantity or extent of something and adds the meaning of "a bit" or "slightly."

Formation:

Adjectives. stem + me

細め・*hoso me*; slightly thin

大きめ・*ōki me*; a bit large

派手め・*hade me*; a little bit fancy

* This structure can be seen with *i*-adjectives rather than *na*-adjectives.

Examples:

ご飯を多めをお願いします。

Gohan o oome de onegai shimasu.

Could I get a little more rice?

私は濃いめのコーヒーが好きです。

Watashi wa koime no kōhī ga suki desu.

I like my coffee kinda strong.