

## LESSON NOTES

# Beginner S2 #51

# Permission to Marry Your Daughter 1

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## KANJI

1. 彼氏: お父さん、真由美さんと結婚させてください!!!
2. お父さん: だめだ、だめだ!!
3. 彼女: お父さん、おねがい私たちの結婚を許して。
4. お父さん: 学生の身分で何を言っているんだ。
5. 彼氏: お父さん、おねがいします!!
6. お父さん: お前に、「お父さん」なんて呼ばせんぞ!

## KANA

1. かれし: おとうさん、まゆみさんとけっこんさせてください!!!
2. おとうさん: だめだ、だめだ!!
3. かのじょ: おとうさん、おねがいわたしたちのけっこんをゆるして。
4. おとうさん: がくせいのみぶんでなにをいっているんだ。
5. かれし: おとうさん、おねがいします!!
6. おとうさん: おまえに、「おとうさん」なんてよばせんぞ!

## ROMANIZATION

1. KARESHI: O-tō-san, Mayumi-san to kekkon sasete kudasai!!!

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2. O-TŌ-SAN: Dame da, dame da!!
3. KANOJO: O-tō-san, onegai watashi-tachi no kekkon o yurushite.
4. O-TŌ-SAN: Gakusei no mibun de nani o itte iru n da.
5. KARESHI: O-tō-san, onegai shimasu!!
6. O-TŌ-SAN: Omae ni, "o-tō-san" nante yobasen zo!

## ENGLISH

1. BOYFRIEND: Sir! Please allow me to get married with Mayumi!
2. DAD: No way!
3. GIRLFRIEND: Dad, allow us to be together.
4. DAD: What the heck are you talking about? You guys are just students.
5. BOYFRIEND: Dad, please!
6. DAD: Hey, I don't want you to call me "dad."

## VOCABULARY

| Kanji | Kana | Romaji  | English             |
|-------|------|---------|---------------------|
| 彼女    | かのじょ | kanojo  | girlfriend, she     |
| 彼氏    | かれし  | kareshi | boyfriend           |
| 許す    | ゆるす  | yurusu  | to permit, to allow |

|    |     |       |                                   |
|----|-----|-------|-----------------------------------|
| 身分 | みぶん | mibun | social position,<br>social status |
| 呼ぶ | よぶ  | yobu  | to call out                       |

## SAMPLE SENTENCES

彼女は鈴木さんです。  
*Kanojo wa Suzuki-san desu.*

She is Ms. Suzuki.

## GRAMMAR

Today's grammar point is the causative construction. This structure is used to express that someone or something causes or allows someone else or something else to do something, as mentioned below.

Active sentence: [Someone/something A] does something.

Causative sentence: [Someone/something B] causes or allows [A] to do something.

This form can be used for "permission" or "coercion" depending on the situation or context.

Causative form of verb:

| Group     | Plain      | negative.stem | Causative                     |
|-----------|------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Group I   | 書く kaku    | kaka(nai)     | kaka + seru<br>→ kakaseru     |
| Group II  | 食べる taberu | tabe(nai)     | tabe + saseru<br>→ tabesaseru |
| Group III | 来る kuru    | ko(nai)       | ko + saseru<br>→ kosaseru     |
|           | する suru    |               | saseru                        |

**Formation:**

\*In the case of transitive verb:

[Causer] + は (wa) + [causee] + に (ni) + causative transitive verb

A:先生は生徒に本を読ませた。

*Sensei wa seito ni hon o yomaseta.*

The teacher made the students read a book.

\*In the case of intransitive verb:

[Causer] + は (wa) + [causee] + に/を (ni/o) + causative of intransitive verb

B:先生は生徒に/を自由に過ごさせた。

*Sensei wa seito ni jiyū ni sugosasete.*

The teacher let the students have free time.

C:先生は生徒を1時間立たせた。

*Sensei wa seito o ichi-jikan tatasete.*

The teacher made the students stand up for an hour.

Please note that in the case of transitive verbs, the causee is followed only by に (ni), no matter whether it is a "permissive use" or "coercive use" (see the sentence A). On the other hand, in the case of intransitive verbs, the causee can be followed by に (ni) or を (o) depending on the context. When using を (o), it implies that the causer forces the causee to do something whether the causee wants to do or not. So, in the case of "coercive use," usually it would be natural to use を (o) (see the sentence C).

### Examples:

私に その歌を 歌わせてください。

*Watashi ni sono uta o utawasete kudasai.*

Please let me sing the song.

コーチは 選手に/を 好きなようにプレイさせた。

*Kōchi wa senshu ni/o suki na yō ni purei sasete.*

The coach let the players do as they want.

審判は、反則した選手を退場させた。

*Shinpan wa, hansoku shita senshu o taijō sasete.*

The ref made the player who committed the foul leave the field.