

# Basic English

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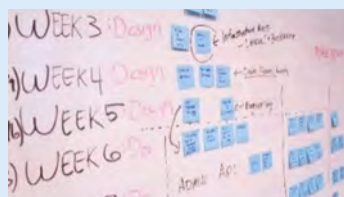
# Lesson 1

## THIS POSTER IS AS EYE-CATCHING AS THAT BILLBOARD

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- This poster is as eye-catching as that billboard outside.
- The poster will be half as tall as I am.

### 1 Word Focus



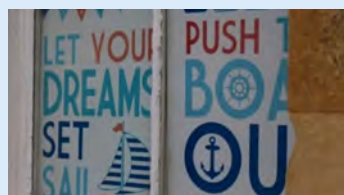
agenda (n.)



promo (n.)



eye-catching (adj.)



tagline (n.)



catchy (adj.)



passer-by (n.)

### 2 Conversation



Jackson

Hey, Aya! I'm here now.  
What are we talking about today?

So, where should we begin?

Looks great, Aya! This poster is as eye-catching as that billboard outside. That tagline is very catchy. People will love it!

Alright! What's the size of the poster?

Hmm. So, the poster will be half as tall as I am.

Sure! I'll work on it as quickly as I can.

Hi, Jackson. Our agenda today is about the details of the poster from this client in Osaka.

This client owns a gym. He wants us to make a poster for their summer promo. Here's my plan for the design.

Thanks! I need you to draw the cartoon for the poster.

The client says they need it to be 24 inches wide and 36 inches tall, so it can easily be noticed by passers-by.

That's right. Do you think you can finish the cartoon tomorrow?



Aya



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

As + Adjective / Adverb + As  
Quantity Expressions: Half, Twice, Three Times, etc.



# Lesson 2

## COULD YOU TELL ME HOW TO GET TO MIYAKO CONVENTION

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- Could you tell me how to get to Miyako Convention, please?
- First, you'll have to turn left on Blue Street.

### 1 Word Focus



trade show (n.)



stranger (n.)



straight ahead (adv.)



crosswalk (n.)



on foot (adv.)



event (n.)

### 2 Conversation

We still have half an hour left before the trade show opening. Do you know which way leads to Miyako Convention?

No, I don't. I have never been to that place before. We can ask a stranger for directions.



Miku

Excuse me, could you tell me how to get to Miyako Convention, please?

Sure! It's not far from here. First, you'll have to turn left on Blue Street. Turn right on Green Street and walk straight ahead until you reach the crosswalk on Purple Street. When you cross the road, you'll see the shopping mall. Turn left and walk past the shopping mall. The Miyako Convention is between the pub and the bank. It is opposite the hospital.



Bo

How long does it take on foot?

It only takes 4-5 minutes to get there.

I see! It's very near. Thank you so much.

You're welcome!

Let's go, Miku. We don't want to be late for the event.

Alright, let's go.



Stranger



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

- Directions
- Asking for and Giving Directions



# Lesson 3

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO GRAB SOME DRINKS WITH ME

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- Would you like to grab some drinks with me?
- Walk along Sanjo Street and you can find the brewery on the right.

### 1 Word Focus



crowded (*adj.*)



overhear (*v.*)



grab drinks (*v.*)



location (*n.*)



roundabout (*n.*)



bridge (*n.*)

### 2 Conversation



• Mr. Tanaka

I didn't expect the trade show to be that crowded.

Hi! Sorry to interrupt. I'm Franc. I didn't mean to overhear your conversation but did someone say they wanted to drink? I know a famous sake brewery just a few kilometers from here. Would you like to grab some drinks with me?



• Franc

From here, you have to go straight until you get to the roundabout. Turn left on Takashi Street. Then, go over the bridge at Yamashina Street. Go past the museum and turn right. Walk along Sanjo Street and you can find the brewery on the right.

See you!



• Bo

Neither did I. At last, it's finished. We can now go somewhere to relax. How about some drinks?

We'd love to, but we don't really know the location.

Thanks for telling us the directions. We'll see you there in a bit.



• Mr. Tanaka



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

Invitations – Modal: Would  
Prepositions of Place and Movement



# Lesson 4

# BREWERS DO

## THE ENTIRE FERMENTATION PROCESS

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- Brewers do the entire fermentation process.
- This brewery was founded by Jiemon Matsui.

## 1 Word Focus



flavor (n.)



knowledgeable (adj.)



yeast (n.)



ferment (v.)



brewer (n.)



found (v.)

## 2 Conversation

They have different flavors of sake here.  
I like sweet taste so I prefer "amami".

What are the other flavors?



● Franc

Well, they also have karami, nigami, shibumi and sanmi.

You're so knowledgeable about sake.  
How come?



Mr. Tanaka

That's because I've been here a lot of times.

I see. What food goes well with sake?

It depends. I like to have seafood or  
some spicy deep-fried food.

Why do you like coming here?

I absolutely like this brewery. Brewers do the entire  
fermentation process and I can say that they are well-skilled.  
This brewery was founded by Jiemon Matsui.

Was he the first one to  
create sake too?

Based on what I know, the first one to create  
sake was a doctor.



● Bo



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### GRAMMAR

- Active Voice
- Passive Voice



# Lesson 5

## LET'S HAVE A COFFEE BREAK TOGETHER SHALL WE

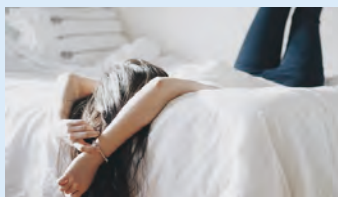
### TARGET LANGUAGE

- Let's have a coffee break together, shall we?
- This coffee machine will work, won't it?
- Pass me some of it, can you?

### 1 Word Focus



coffee break (n.)



breather (n.)



frustrated (adj.)



fail (v.)



unwind (v.)

### 2 Conversation



Aya

Hi Olivia. Let's have a coffee break together, shall we?

Is everything alright?

Oh. What a pity!

I'm sure it will work. Jackson used it earlier this morning. Do you have some sugar there?

Pass me some of it, can you?

Thanks, Olivia. Let us unwind first and get back to work soon afterward.

Cool. I'd love to, Aya.

I think I badly need a breather this time.

I'm really frustrated right now. I spent a long time editing my work, but my computer suddenly shut down. I failed to save my work.

I will just try to redo it later. Anyway, this coffee machine will work, won't it?

Yes, I have it here.

Sure, Aya. Here you go!



Olivia



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

Tag Questions (Positive and Negative Tags)  
Tag Questions Rule Exceptions



# Lesson 6

## I THINK THIS COFFEE IS BEST PAIRED WITH PLENTY OF COOKIES

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- I think this coffee is best paired with plenty of cookies.
- I have a large amount of work to do today.
- The board of directors is currently on their way to our office.

### 1 Word Focus



pungent (*adj.*)



cupboard (*n.*)



best paired (*adj. phr.*)



director (*n.*)



committee (*n.*)



parched (*adj.*)

### 2 Conversation



• Olivia

This coffee tastes so good, Aya.

Good for you. My coffee tastes so pungent. I'll just have some orange juice instead.

Is there any juice in the cupboards?

I will just try to search first.

Sure. But I think this coffee is best paired with plenty of cookies.

I don't think we have any of those, Olivia.

(Team Leader Lina comes in ...)



• Lina

Hello, ladies. Can you do me a favor? I have a large amount of work to do today.

Sure thing. What is it, Lina?

The board of directors is currently on their way to our office. Could you please buy me two boxes of pizza and a few cans of soda?

All right, Lina. Aya and I will do it.

Thanks to you both. But could you also include 3 bottles of water? The committee feels so parched now.

No problem, Lina. We will go to the shop now.



• Aya



• Olivia



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

Expressions of Quantity: Countable vs. Uncountable  
Collective Nouns



# Lesson 7

## I HAD BEEN BUSY LAST WEEK

### TARGET LANGUAGE

- I had been busy last week until I completed the negotiations with my clients.
- I had not eaten a decent meal since then.

### 1 Word Focus



negotiation (n.)



deal (n.)



bonus (n.)



rush (v.)



disturb (v.)

### 2 Conversation

Hey, Bo. I haven't heard from you since last week. Is everything okay?



Aya

And? How did it go?

Glad to hear that. Your boss might give you some bonus days off for that.

That's terrible. I didn't realize you were that busy. I'm not disturbing you now, am I?

Everything is fine. No worries. I had been busy last week until I completed the negotiations with my clients.



Bo

Well, the clients were certainly tough, but I managed to close a good deal with them in the end.

I hope so. I had not eaten a decent meal since then. I had to rush to places every day to meet clients. I had to either buy a sandwich, or cook my own meal, and you know I'm a bad cook.

Of course not. I'm even glad you called. At least I have someone to talk to about the crazy week I had.



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### GRAMMAR

#### Past Perfect Tense



# Lesson 8

# I WISH

## I HAD WORKED HARDER

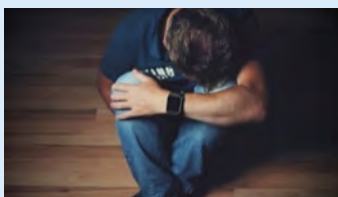
### TARGET LANGUAGE

- He said that he had checked the report you submitted.
- I wish I had worked harder.

## 1 Word Focus



compensate (v.)



disappointed (adj.)



cheer up (v.)



clever (n.)



cooperation (n.)

## 2 Conversation



Miku

Good afternoon, Bo.  
What brings you into my office?

What about it?  
Is there something wrong?

Is that right? I wish I had worked harder, but it can't be helped if no one is interested in buying our products.

You are right. He is one of the cleverest people I know. Let's give the boss our full cooperation to fix this issue.

I just had a call with Mr. Tanaka this morning. He said that he had checked the report you submitted to him last night and we would have a meeting regarding last month's sales.

He compared the number of sales per month we had this year and said that last month did not reach its target sales. We will probably have more work to do this month to compensate.

Don't feel so disappointed. Cheer up. I'm sure Mr. Tanaka had already worked out a solution to the problem.



Bo



Scan and Listen

### GRAMMAR

Past Perfect Tense (3): Indirect Reported Speech

Past Perfect Tense (4): Unreal/ Imaginary



# Lesson 9

## AYA HAD BEEN TAKING A NAP

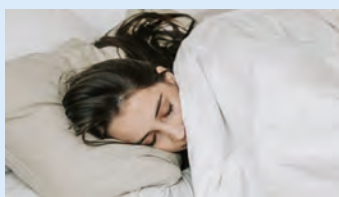
### TARGET LANGUAGE

- Aya had been taking a nap for longer than an hour when the door opened.
- He had been looking for Aya before he went inside the nap pod.

### 1 Word Focus



snore (v.)



sleep like a rock (v.)



apology (n.)



nightmare (n.)



job suspension (n.)

### 2 Passage

#### Aya's Terrible Day in the Office

Aya had been taking a nap for longer than an hour when the door opened. It was Steve. He had been looking for Aya before he went inside the nap pod. He was shocked as he saw Aya had been sleeping during work hours. Steve was a bit annoyed at this. He wanted to wake her up, but she had been snoring a lot. On the way back to his office, he met Olivia on the stairs. He asked Olivia to wake Aya up.

Olivia knew that Aya slept like a rock. She had been thinking of ways to wake Aya. Suddenly, Olivia had a brilliant idea. She got a cup and filled it with water. Just as Olivia was about to pour water, Aya suddenly woke up. She had been having a nightmare about getting a job suspension. Aya stood up surprisingly and thanked Olivia. She immediately went to Steve's office and asked for an apology.



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**GRAMMAR**

Past Perfect Progressive



# Lesson 10

# UNIT REVIEW

## WORD FOCUS

### Lesson 1

agenda  
promo  
eye-catching  
tagline  
catchy  
passer-by

### Lesson 2

trade show  
stranger  
straight ahead  
crosswalk  
on foot

event

### Lesson 3

crowded  
overhear  
grab drinks  
location  
roundabout  
bridge

### Lesson 4

flavor  
knowledgeable  
yeast  
ferment

brewer  
found

### Lesson 5

coffee break  
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## GRAMMAR FOCUS

- 1 As + Adjective/ Adverb, Quantity Expressions
- 2 Asking for and Giving Directions
- 3 Invitations - Modal: Would, Prepositions for Places and Movement
- 4 Active and Passive Voice
- 5 Tag Questions
- 6 Countable Nouns vs. Uncountable Nouns, Collective Nouns
- 7 Past Perfect Tense
- 8 Past Perfect Tense: Indirect Reported Speech, Unreal/ Imaginary
- 9 Past Perfect Progressive