Unit 130-MO-TE-NA-SHI English For Beginners

Review

Put the following Japanese into English.

- 1. すみません。お土産用の高級な日本のお箸をさがしているのですが。
- 2. おみやげ品売り場は6階にございます。
- 3. あちらのエレベータをご利用いただけます。
- 4. トイレはどちらか教えていただけますでしょうか
- 5. 各階のエレベータの横にございます
- 6. 招き猫とは、前足で人を招いている幸運の猫の置物で、持ち主に幸運をもたらすとされる。
- 7. のれんとは、伝統的な日本の布製のカーテンで、部屋の間、壁、出入口や窓につるされるもの。

At a department store (2)



Matching departments with floors (see the diagram below).

1. You are a store assistant in the information booth. A foreign visitor asks you some questions. Answer the questions.

Visitor: Excuse me. I need to buy some trousers for my 3-year-old son. Which floor do I go to?

You: Children's clothes? It's () the () floor.

Visitor: And I want to buy a bottle of 'sake' for my uncle.

You: You'll find alcoholic beverages () the ().



Floor Directory

Seventh Floor Restaurants

Sixth Floor Stationery & Souvenirs

Fifth Floor Electrical

Fourth Floor Furniture & Kitchenware

Third Floor Children's clothes & Toys

Second Floor Menswear

First Floor Womenswear

Basement Food & Beverage

Notes

stationery 文房具 beverage(s) 飲み物 kitchenware 台所用品 | electrical 電気用品 furniture 家具

USING THE LANGUAGE

Preposition of Place

- 2-dimensional surface → on
- 3-dimensional space → in

When we visualize each floor of a department store, we see the two-dimensional surface.

What is basement? It refers to the three-dimensional space below the level of the ground.



CONVERSATION 1

- 2. Listen to the conversation without looking at the text.
- 3. Now repeat after the teacher, looking at the text.

Visitor: Excuse me. I need to buy some trousers for my 3-year-old son. Which floor do I go to? (すみません。私の3歳の息子のズボンを買いたいのですが、何階でしょうか)

You: Children's clothes? It's on the third floor. (子供服ですか。3階です)

Visitor: And I want to buy a bottle of 'sake' for my uncle.

(それから、叔父のために日本酒を一本買いたいのですが)

You: You'll find alcoholic beverages in the basement. You can use the escalator to the basement. (アルコール飲料は地下売り場です。地下売り場まではエスカレーターをご利用いただけます)

- 4. Read the conversation until you memorize it.
- 5. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of the assistant and you play the role of the visitor. Change roles.

Shopping



CONVERSATION 2

- 1. Listen to the conversation without looking at the text.
- 2. Now repeat after the teacher, looking at the text.

Shop Assistant: Can I help you? (いらっしゃいませ。何かお手伝いいたしましょうか) Customer: Well, I'm just browsing. (いいえ、ただ見て回っているだけですから) Note: If you don't want to buy anything in particular in a shop, you can say "I'm just browsing" or "I'm just looking."

- 3. Read the conversation until you memorize it.
- 4. Role play

Your teacher plays the role of the assistant and you play the role of the customer. Change roles.

PRACTICE SENTENCES

Put the following Japanese into English.

- 1. すみません。私の3歳の息子のズボンを買いたいのですが、何階でしょうか
- 2. 子供服ですか。3階です
- 3. それから、叔父のために日本酒を一本買いたいのですが
- 4. アルコール飲料は地下売り場です。地下売り場まではエスカレーターをご利用いただけます
- 5. ただ見て回っているだけです