1 PHRASE OF THE DAY

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2 SITUATION

Mark is asking for opinions on increasing the marketing budget. マークはマーケティング予算の増加について意見を求めています。



Directions: First repeat after your tutor and then practice each role.

Mark: So what do you think about my proposal to increase the marketing budget for next year?

Yuki: I'm really strongly against it. I think it's too much of an expenditure. What do you think Jack?

Jack: Actually, I think Mark might be right. Wouldn't it be better if we improved the company's image with the consumer?

Yuki: Well, **that's not the way I see it.** Given the current economic situation, it's not feasible. We don't have the money.

Jack: I understand your point, but marketing the company wisely now will help us gain market share in the future.

4 VOCABULARY

Directions: First repeat after your tutor and then read aloud by yourself.

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5 LANGUAGE FOCUS

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Meeting -Disagreeing

Directions: First repeat after your tutor and then read aloud again by yourself.

I beg to differ.

I'd say the exact opposite.

I'm not so sure about that.

Not necessarily.

I don't think that's the case here.

That's not entirely true.

You can't really believe that.

6 ACTIVITY

Activity 1: Think about whether the company from the dialogue should increase their marketing budget. Try to think of as many points for or against the proposal and then discuss with your tutor.

Activity 2: You and your tutor are going to debate whether Japanese companies should adopt a whistle-blowing policy.

- * a clearly-defined procedure for reporting issues.
- * trained people to receive and investigate reports.
- * a commitment to take appropriate action.
- * guaranteed immunity for whistleblowers.

Choose a side and think of reasons for/against such policies. Your tutor will choose the opposing side. Switch roles after you debate for 5 minutes.

Hints

adopt 採択する
beneficial 有益な
disagree 同意しない
expensive 高価な
immunity 免除
mutual 相互の
policy ポリシー
retribution 報復
whistle-blower 内部告発者