

## Lesson 34

## 1 PHRASE OF THE DAY

今日のフレーズ

So Ben, how long have you been with...

ベン、～にはどのくらい長くいらっしゃるんですか？

## 2 SITUATION

状況

Shinya is having dinner with a new client from the US.  
 シンヤはアメリカからの新しいクライアントと夕食を取っています。



## 3 DIALOGUE

ダイアログ

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

**Shinya:** Hello, are you Ben Stevens?

**Ben :** Yes, and you must be Shinya. It's nice to meet you at long last.

**Shinya:** Yes, you too. Thanks for agreeing to meet with us about the new account. My associate, Susan Kim, should be here any minute. Would you like a cocktail or an appetizer while we're waiting?

**Ben :** No, thanks. I'm fine.

**Shinya:** So Ben, how long have you been with C.O.W. Services?

**Ben :** Oh, I'd say about three years now. And yourself? How long have you been working for Pants Consultants?

**Shinya:** Hmm, it's been over ten years, almost 11! How was your flight to Japan?

**Ben :** It was better than I expected. But, as you can imagine, I'm still terribly jetlagged.

**Shinya:** Sorry to hear that. I've never had the chance to go to the US, but I'd like to one day.

**Ben :** You should go if you get the chance, there're loads to do and see.

## 4 VOCABULARY

語い

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

課題: 先生の後が続いてくり返した後、今度はひとりで発音してみましょう。

**cocktail** カクテル

**service** サービス

**jetlagged** 時差ボケして

**appetizer** 前菜

**consultant** コンサルタント

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## 5 LANGUAGE FOCUS

今日のポイント

## So Ben, how long have you been with...

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## Small Talk - Small Talk at Dinner with a Client

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

It's a pleasure to meet you, ...

Hi there, are you ...?

How about the weather we've had recently?

Are you enjoying yourself here in ...?

How often do you ...?

Where are you staying here in ...?

So, where are you from originally?

How about those (sports team)?

Have you been keeping track of the news lately?

## 6 ACTIVITY

練習

Activity 1: Below is a list of small talk subjects.

Discuss whether or not these are appropriate for a business lunch/dinner.

- |                |                   |                |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| • sports       | • job (general)   | • the news     |
| • religion     | • fashion         | • travel       |
| • finances     | • family(private) | • latest       |
| • holidays     | • death penalty   | • politics     |
| • media & film | • sales figures   | • wife & kids  |
|                |                   | • past GF/BF's |

Activity 2: Pretend you are meeting your tutor for the first time at a business lunch. How long can you make small talk using the subjects below:

- |                     |                                  |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| • local sports team | • favorite foods                 |
| • jobs              | • the weather                    |
| • hobbies           | • clothing (ties, shirts, etc..) |

## Hints

ヒント

**incredible** 信じられない**appropriate** 適切な**unsuitable** 不向きな**terrible** ひどい**fashionable** ファッションナブル**interesting** 面白い**exciting** エキサイティングな**disappointed** 失望して**fascinating** 魅惑的な