



Learn Japanese Pod with Ami and Alex

Podcast 32: Making dinner plans with a friend

In this lesson you will learn the following:

- ✓ How to make dinner plans with a friend
- ✓ How to talk about a restaurant you regularly frequent

LEVEL: Upper Beginner



Introduction

In this podcast you will learn how to make dinner plans at a restaurant you regularly frequent. You'll learn some natural phrases for making plans that native speakers commonly use. Check out the dialogue and grammar notes below for a detailed explanation.

Main Dialog (Japanese)

A: もしもし

B: もしもしアレックス、明日夜ご飯食べに行かない？

A: ごめん、明日はちょっと無理なんだ。土曜日なら行けるよ。

B: じゃあ土曜日の7時にいつものお寿司屋さんで！

A: あみは本当にお寿司飽きないねー！

Main Dialog (Pronunciation)

A: *Moshi moshi*

B: *Moshi moshi, Arekkusu, ashita yoru gohan tabe ni ikanai?*

A: *Gomen, ashita wa chotto muri nan da. Doyōbu nara ikeru yo.*

B: *Jaa, doyōbi no shichi ji itsumo no osushi ya san de.*

A: *Ami wa hontō osushi ni akinai ne.*

Main Dialog (English)

A: Hello?

B: Hi, Alex, do you wanna go out to eat dinner tomorrow?

A: Sorry, tomorrow's not possible. If it's Saturday I can go.

B: OK then, Saturday at 7 o'clock at the usual sushi place.

A: Ami, you never get sick of sushi do you!?



Grammar point and drills

Here is a breakdown of the main grammar pattern featured in the dialogue:

土曜日 の 7時に いつもの お寿司屋さん で
Doyōbi *no* *shichiji ni* *itsumo no* *osushiyan* *de*
Saturday *of* *7 o'clock* *the usual* *sushi restaurant* *at*
(Let's meet on) Saturday at 7 o'clock the usual sushi place.

Here are some more example drills:

- 1) 金曜日の6時半にいつものラーメン屋さんで。
Kinyōbi no roku ji ni itsumo no raamenyasan de.
(Let's meet on) Friday at 6 at the usual ramen place.
- 2) 日曜日の6時にいつものイタリアンで。
Nichiyōbi no rokuji ni itsumo no itarian de.
(Let's meet on) Sunday at 6 at the usual Italian place.
- 3) 木曜日の8時にいつもの居酒屋で。
Mokuyōbi no hachiji ni itsumo no izakaya de.
(Let's meet on) Thursday at 8 at the usual Izakaya.
- 4) 土曜日の7時にいつものカラオケで。
Doyōbi no shichiji ni itsumo no karaoke de.
(Let's meet on) Saturday at 7 at the usual Karaoke place.



Random Phrase of the Week

The random phrase of the week is where we teach you a random Japanese phrase to make your friends laugh and ask “where did you learn that from?!”

行き当たりばったり - Ikiatari battari

Meaning: unplanned and making decisions on the fly / Playing it by ear. It's generally used in a negative way but there are some exceptions

Example sentences:

- 1) 行き当たりばったりでなんでも決めちゃう。
Ikiatari battari de nandemo kimechau.
To make decisions in a random or unplanned way
- 2) 行き当たりばったりな旅だった。
Ikiatari battari na tabi datta
It was an unplanned trip.
- 3) 行き当たりばったりでレストランを選んだ。
Ikiatari battari resutoran o eranda.
I randomly chose a restaurant.



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