# STAGE 9

815 LESSON 125

**EDGE** 

LITTLE BY LITTLE

INTEND

端、刃先

少しずつ

~するつもり

WHAT PART OF THE TABLE IS THIS?

That part of ... is the edge

CAN WE BALANCE A DINNER-PLATE ON ITS EDGE? Yes, perhaps we can balance ... but it'd be rather difficult and would depend on the type of plate

CAN WE CUT BREAD WITH THE THICK EDGE OF A KNIFE? No, we can't ...

The verb "to edge" means "to move slowly, little by little," usually in a sideways direction, but also in any direction./

WHAT DOES THE VERB "TO EDGE" MEAN? The verb ... "to move slowly, little by little" ...

WHY DOES A CAR HAVE TO EDGE FORWARD WHEN TURNING FROM A SMALL SIDE-STREET INTO A MAIN STREET AGAINST THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC?

A car has to edge forward when ... so that other cars can see what it intends doing, and so slow down to let it pass ...

TIN 缶

816 WHY DO FACTORIES PUT FOOD IN TINS ?/

Factories put food in tins to conserve it

WHAT METAL IS A TIN MADE OF?

A tin is made of tin

# COMPARATIVES AND SUPERLATIVES OF ADJECTIVES, ADVERBS AND PARTICIPLES

HELPFUL 役に立つ

Adjectives of two syllables which end in the letters -er, -le, -ow and -y form their comparatives and superlatives by adding -er and -est. For example, clever - cleverer - cleverest.

WHICH ADJECTIVES OF TWO SYLLABLES FORM THEIR COMPARATIVES
AND SUPERLATIVES BY ADDING -ER AND -EST?/ The adjectives of two
syllables which form ... are those which end in -er, -le, -ow, or -y

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE!

Simple ... simpler ... simplest

Adjectives of two syllables which do not end in the letters - er - le - ow or -y and have the accent on the first syllable, form their comparatives and superlatives by using "more" and "most". For example,

helpful more helpful the most helpful

useless more useless the most useless

817 WHICH ADJECTIVES OF TWO SYLLABLES FORM THEIR COMPARATIVES

AND SUPERLATIVES BY USING "MORE" AND "MOST"?/ The adjectives of
two syllables which form ... are those which do not end in -er -le ow or -y and have their accent on the first syllable

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE! Modern ... more modern ... the most modern

Participles ending in -ed or -ing also form their comparatives by using "more" and "most". For example,

pleased more pleased the most pleased

boring more boring the most boring

HOW DO WE FORM THE COMPARATIVES AND SUPERLATIVES OF PARTICIPLES ENDING IN -ED OR -ING?

We form the ... by using "more" and "most" ...

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF EACH, PLEASE!/

Learned ... more learned
... Interesting ...

Adverbs of two syllables made from adjectives by adding -ly form their comparatives and superlatives by using "more" and "most". For example,

carefully more carefully the most carefully

HOW DO WE FORM THE COMPARATIVES AND SUPERLATIVES OF

ADVERBS OF TWO SYLLABLES WHICH ARE MADE FROM ADJECTIVES

BY ADDING - LY?

We form the ... which are made from adjectives by adding -ly by using "more" and "most"

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE!/ Happily; more happily; the most happily

#### SYMPATHY 同情、共感

WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE DO YOU HAVE MOST SYMPATHY FOR?

The kind of people I have most sympathy for are those who lie in bed for years, or who are blind ...

ANXIETY 心配、不安

ANXIOUS 心配な、熱心で

DO YOU FEEL ANY GREAT ANXIETY ABOUT YOUR OWN PERSONAL FUTURE, OR THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD? Yes, I feel some anxiety ... or ... No, I don't feel any ...

WHY IS A SHOPKEEPER ANXIOUS TO PLEASE HIS CUSTOMERS?/
A shopkeeper is ... so that they will come back again ...

# 819 ENTERTAIN 楽しませる、招待する ENTERTAINMENT 娯楽、余興

WHAT KIND OF ENTERTAINMENTS EXIST IN THE PLACE WHERE YOU LIVE?

The kind of ... are ...

SUPPOSING YOU COULD ENTERTAIN A FAMOUS PERSON AT YOUR HOUSE, EITHER A GREAT FIGURE IN HISTORY OR SOMEONE ALIVE TODAY, WHOM WOULD YOU CHOOSE?/

Supposing I could entertain ... I'd choose ...

# BY ACCIDENT 偶然に

IF BY ACCIDENT YOU KNOCKED SOMEBODY'S ARM WHILST HE WAS WRITING, WHAT'D YOU SAY? If by accident ... I'd say "I'm sorry", or just "Sorry"

# BACKGROUND 背景 APPLY 出願する

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY THE BACKGROUND OF A PICTURE OR A PHOTOGRAPH? By the background ... mean that part which is behind the main subject

WHEN A STUDENT APPLIES TO GO TO UNIVERSITY, IS HE ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT HIS PERSONAL BACKGROUND?/

Yes, when a ... or ... No, when a ...

820 WHAT KIND OF ACTIVITIES DO YOU APPLY YOUR ENERGIES TO MOST?

The kind of activities ... are ...

DOES THE LAW OF THE LAND APPLY TO EVERYBODY?

... or, at least, it should

WHERE DO YOU HAVE TO GO TO APPLY FOR A PASSPORT? You have to go to ... to apply ...

HIGHLY <sup>2000</sup> 非常に

THE BROWNS ブラウン家

GIVE ME A SENTENCE WITH THE WORD "HIGHLY". It's highly probable that the Browns won't come today

ANCIENT 古代の

EGYPT/ エジプト

WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS IN THE

IIISTORY OF THE WORLD?

One of the ... is the Egyptian civilization, or the

Babylonian civilization ...

SOMEWHAT やや、少し

GIVE ME A SENTENCE WITH THE WORD "SOMEWHAT". I'd say he was somewhat lacking in common sense

AT AL 少しも

821 GIVE ME A SENTENCE WITH THE WORDS "AT ALL". It's very strange; I've worked hard all day but don't feel tired at all

MERCHANT 商人

WHAT DOES A MERCHANT DO?/

A merchant buys and sells goods

IDIOM 28

WHY ON EARTH = a very strong form of "why?" 一体全体どうして

e.g. Why on earth didn't you buy one, as they were so very cheap?

WHAT DOES THE IDIOM "WHY ON EARTH" MEAN? The idiom ... a very strong form of "why?"

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE! I just can't understand why on earth they got married if they don't like each other very much

#### **DICTATION 67**

UNITY 単一(性)、調和、一致

There are various means of transport/ these days;/ not as in the old days/ when people only had the choice/ of going on foot/ or on horseback,/ or by some/ horse-drawn means of transport./ Being overweight is usually due to overeating./ One usually needs to be taught/ how to operate a factory machine./ Unity is essential for success/ in a battle./ Alfred is the elder/ of the two children,/ though even he is not very old./ They just could not decide/ whether to rent a house/ for the summer / or stay at a hotel. / Eventually, however,/ they chose to rent a house.

822 LESSON 126

EXPLAIN TO 説明する

SUGGEST TO 提案する

CAN YOU EXPLAIN THE GAME OF FOOTBALL TO ME (OR ANY OTHER GAME YOU MIGHT KNOW)?

Yes, I can explain the ...

A game of football is composed of ...

CAN YOU SUGGEST TO ME A NICE PLACE FOR A HOLIDAY? Yes, I can suggest ... or ... No, I can't ...

### **CONFIDENT** / 自信をもって

NOW THAT YOU ARE AT THIS STAGE OF YOUR ENGLISH STUDIES, DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE ABLE TO TRAVEL ABROAD CONFIDENT OF MAKING YOURSELF UNDERSTOOD IN THE LANGUAGE?

I'm at ... or ... No, now that ...

AGREE ABOUT ~ について同意する

AGREE THAT ~ を同意する

AGREE TO (事柄に)同意する

AGREE WITH (人の意見に)同意する

LAND IN PRISON/ 刑務所行きにする

823 IF YOUR FRIEND WANTS TO GO TO ONE CINEMA AND YOU WANT TO GO TO ANOTHER, AND YOU CAN'T AGREE ABOUT WHICH TO GO TO, WHAT DO YOU DO?

If my friend wants to ... we ...

DO YOU AGREE THAT LIFE WAS BETTER IN THE PAST THAN IT IS

TODAY ?/

Yes, I agree that ... or ... No, I don't agree

WOULD YOU AGREE TO DO AN EXTRA THREE HOURS OF ENGLISH
TODAY?
Yes, I'd agree to ... or ... No, I wouldn't ...

WOULD YOU AGREE TO A PLAN THAT MIGHT LAND YOU IN PRISON?

Yes, I'd agree to ... or ... No, I wouldn't ...

WHEN YOU DON'T AGREE WITH OTHERS, WHAT DO YOU DO?/

When I don't agree with ... I ...

TAKE CARE 気をつける

RUN OVER (車が)ひく CARE FOR ~を好む

WHAT DO YOU THINK OUGHT TO BE DONE WITH DRIVERS WHO DON'T TAKE CARE WHILST DRIVING, AND SO RUN OVER PEOPLE?

I think that drivers who don't ... ought to ...

824 WHO TAKES CARE OF YOU WHEN YOU'RE ILL?/

My ... takes care ...

DO YOU CARE WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT YOU?

Yes, I care ... or ... No, I don't care what ...

When we ask someone to dance, we can say "Would you care for this dance?", or "Would you like to dance?"

WHAT CAN WE SAY WHEN WE ASK SOMEONE TO DANCE?

When we ask ... we can say ...

I DARE SAY = IT IS PROBABLE 多分~だろう

DARING 冒険的気性、 REQUIRE
必要とする

"I dare say you're right" means I think it is probable that you are right. For such an expression we always use the first person./

WHAT DOES THIS SENTENCE MEAN, IN OTHER WORDS? - "I DARE SAY YOU'RE RIGHT."

That sentence means, in other words, "I think it is probable that you are right"

WHAT KIND OF JOB WOULD YOU SAY REQUIRED THE MOST DARING?
I'd say the kind of job which ... would be that ...

EAGER 熱心、しきりに~したがって

RUB こする

825 WHEN PEOPLE ARE EAGER TO DO SOMETHING, WHAT DO THEY
SOMETIMES LOOK LIKE?/ When people are ... they sometimes look alive,
have bright eyes, and perhaps rub their hands together ...

FACE(v) 面する

FACE TO FACE 直面して

WHERE DOES THIS WINDOW FACE ONTO?

This window ... the street, a courtyard ...

IF YOU FOUND YOURSELF FACE TO FACE WITH A KILLER WITH A KNIFE IN HIS HAND, WHAT'D YOU DO?

If I found myself ... I'd ...

#### UP TO ~までに

ABOUT HOW MANY PAGES OF THIS METHOD HAVE YOU STUDIED UP
TO NOW ?/
I've studied about ... pages of ...

#### ATTACK 襲う

DO INNOCENT PEOPLE EVER GET ATTACKED IN THE STREETS OF YOUR HOME TOWN?

Yes, innocent people ... or ... No, innocent ...

#### BURY 埋める、葬る

WHAT DOES A DOG DO WITH ITS BONE? A dog buries its bone in the ground ...

826 WHERE DO THEY BURY THE DEAD IN YOUR COUNTRY - OUTSIDE THE TOWN, IN THE GROUNDS OF A CHURCH ... ETC.? They bury the dead ...

#### ANGER 怒り

WHAT ANGERS YOU MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE?/ ... angers me more than anything else

#### INSULT 侮辱する

WHAT DO YOU THINK'S THE BEST WAY TO INSULT A PERSON?

1 think the best ... is to ...

#### IDIOM 29

FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE = a very strong form of "please" お願いだからe.g. For heaven's sake, be quiet! and let me get some sleep.

WHAT DOES THE IDIOM "FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE" MEAN? The idiom ... "a very ..."

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE, PLEASE! For heaven's sake, don't do that again! or I shall get very angry

#### 827 DICTATION 68

Football is played throughout the whole world./ It is such a popular game/ that in some cases it is almost a form of madness./ Provided you go straight home after school,/ you will be in time to see/ your uncle before he leaves./ Everyone was dressed/ in their very best clothes/ for the big dance,/ which commenced at 8 p.m./ The waiter placed the tray/ carefully on the table./ The meal he had brought us/ consisted of potatoes/ and a small piece of meat/ which appeared to be old and hard.

LESSON 127

AFRAID OF AFRAID THAT AFRAID TO 恐れて ~を恐れる 恐くて~できない

WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE SOME PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY CHILDREN, ARE AFRAID OF THE DARK? I suppose some ... because they imagine things that are not there ...

WHY ARE SOME PEOPLE AFRAID THAT THEY MIGHT GET KILLED IF THEY TRAVEL BY PLANE MORE THAN BY OTHER MEANS OF TRANSPORT?/

Some people ... because a plane accident is front-page news ...

ARE YOU AFRAID TO TRAVEL BY PLANE? Yes, I'm afraid ... or ... No, I'm not ...

We can also use "afraid" for an apology. For example, a shopkeeper might say to a customer "I'm afraid we haven't got the size you want, sir".

828 GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF THE WORD "AFRAID" USED IN AN APOLOGY/
I'm afraid I can't help you

E.G. A LONG - HAIRED DOG WELL-TIMED 毛足の長い犬 良い時期

A compound word can be formed by using an adjective and a noun together. For example, the adjective "long" can be put together with the noun "hair" and we can say "a long-haired dog" meaning a dog with long hair. Other examples are — "A blue-eyed baby, a one-legged man, and a broad-shouldered man."

GIVE ME THREE EXAMPLES OF COMPOUND WORDS FORMED BY
PUTTING ADJECTIVES AND NOUNS TOGETHER. A blue-eyed baby,
a one-legged man, a broad-shouldered man

Another way of forming a compound word is by using an adverb and a participle together. For example, the adverb "well" can be put together with the participle "cooked" and so we can say "a well-cooked meal". /

GIVE ME THREE EXAMPLES OF COMPOUND WORDS FORMED BY
PUTTING ADVERBS AND PARTICIPLES TOGETHER. A badly-dressed man.
A carefully-made plan. A well-timed move

WHISKERS HUNTING MOUSE - MICE

猫などのひげ 狩猟 ねずみ(単数)ー(複数)

NOISELESSLY<br/>音を立てずにGAP<br/>隙間FENCE<br/>塀HEDGE<br/>生け垣

A cat's whiskers are the same width as its body./ This means that, when it goes hunting for mice and birds, and wishes to pass noiselessly through a gap in a fence or a hedge, it can first try the width of the gap with its whiskers to see if it is possible to get through the gap without using force and making a lot of noise./

FOR WHAT PURPOSE DOES A CAT USE ITS WHISKERS? A cat uses its whiskers in order to pass ...

HAVE YOU ANY GAPS IN YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE ENGLISH YOU HAVE LEARNT (OR LEARNED) SO FAR?

Yes, I've some gaps ... or ... No, I don't think I've any ...

HALLENTRANCETOWN HALL大広間入口市役所

A hall is a large room. For example, we have the entrance hall of a house, the dining hall of a college, and a village or town hall where public meetings and even dances

830 WHAT IS A HALL? A hall is a large room

can be held. /

GIVE ME SOME EXAMPLES OF ITS USE. Entrance hall ...

POOL LIQUID INDOOR (S) OUTDOOR (S)

水たまり 液体 屋内 屋外

**OUT OF DOORS** 戸外 **SWIMMING POOL** スイミングプール

A pool is a collection of water or other liquid, either large or small. For example, "a pool of water on the road, a pool of blood" or "a swimming pool". /

WHAT IS A POOL?

A pool is a collection of water or other liquid ...

GIVE ME SOME EXAMPLES, PLEASE!

Pool of blood ...

お会いできてうれしい 理解するのは良いことだ

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF AN INDOOR SWIMMING POOL?/
The advantages ... are that the water can be heated,
and one can swim in it in any kind of weather ...

WHICH DO YOU PREFER AN INDOOR OR AN OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL?/

DO YOU SPEND MOST OF YOUR TIME INDOORS OR OUT OF DOORS?

I spend most ...

# 831 ADJECTIVE + INFINITIVE E.G. NICE TO SEE IT IS WELL TO

It is well to note the construction Adjective + Infinitive. For example, "It is very nice to see you again."

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF AN ADJECTIVE PLUS INFINITIVE

CONSTRUCTION. / It's good to be alive

# MAKE + SOMEBODY OR SOMETHING + ADJECTIVE OR INFINITIVE

E.G. MAKE HIM HAPPY OR MAKE THE CAR GO 彼を幸せにさせる その車を行かせる

Another construction to be noted is with the word "make" which is as follows:-

Make + Somebody or Something + Adjective or Infinitive. For example, "It will make him happy (adj)" and "It will make the car go (inf)".

GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE OF THE CONSTRUCTION "MAKE + SOMEBODY OR SOMETHING + ADJECTIVE OR INFINITIVE". / The news made them sad.

We made the table look like new