

● Survival Japanese - # 2 - On the Phone



★The Basics

- Moshi moshi. - Hello.
- Saito-san wa irasshaimasu ka? - Is Mr./Ms. Saito there?
- Saito-san no otaku desu ka? - Is the Saito residence?
- Dochira sama desu ka. May I ask who's calling?
- Saito to moushimasu - This is Mr./Ms. Saito.
- Arigato gozaimashita. Shitsurei itashimasu. - Thank you and goodbye.

★Trouble

- Motto yukkuri hanashite kudasai.  
Please speak more slowly.
- Mou ichido onegaishimasu.  
Could you repeat that please?
- Shou shou omachi kudasai.  
Just a moment, please.

★Questions & Answers

- Hai, orimasu.  
Yes, he/she's in.
- Nanji goro omodori desu ka?  
Do you know about when he/she will be back?
- Nanika otsutae shimashou ka?  
Can I take a message?
- Orikaeshi denwa wo sasemasho ka?  
Shall I have him call you back?
- Mata ato de denwa shimasu.  
I'll call back later.
- Moushiwake arimasen ga, tadaima dekakete orimasu.  
I'm sorry, he's/she's not here at the moment.
- San ji* made modorimasen.  
He/she won't be back until 3 o'clock.
- Dengon wo onegai dekimasu ka?  
May I leave a message?
- "O-denwa wo kudasai" to tsutaete kudasai.  
Please ask him/her to call me.