

Shashin o totte mo ii desu ka

May I take photos here?



## Today's Skit

ミーヤー：おとなひとり 大人1人ねがお願いします。

Ticket for one adult, please.

Mi Ya Otona hito<sup>1</sup>ri onegai-shima<sup>1</sup>su.

すみません。

Excuse me.

Sumimase<sup>1</sup>n.

しゃしん と 写真を撮ってもいいですか。

May I take photos here?

Shashin o to<sup>1</sup>tte mo i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su ka.

うけつけ 受付：ええ、いいですよ。

Yes, you can.

Clerk E'e, i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su yo.

ミーヤー：すてき!

Wonderful!

Mi Ya Suteki!

あんないがかり 案内係：きゃくさま お客様、

Ma'am, that's a bit too close.

Usher Okyakusa<sup>1</sup>ma,

ここから先はさき えんりよご遠慮ください。

koko kara saki wa goenryo-kudasa<sup>1</sup>i.

ミーヤー：あ、すみません。

Oh, sorry.

Mi Ya A, sumimase<sup>1</sup>n.

## Vocabulary

おとな adult

ええ yes

すてき(な) wonderful

otona

e'e

suteki (na)

きゃくさま お客様 sir/ma'am

さき 先 further

えんりよ 遠慮する refrain

okyakusa<sup>1</sup>ma

saki

enryo-suru

## Key Phrase

しゃしん と  
写真を撮ってもいいですか。

**Shashin o to<sup>1</sup>tte mo i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su ka.**

May I take photos here?

To ask permission to do something, say “[the verb's TE-form] + mo ii desu ka.” “-te mo ii (desu)” means “you can XXX” and indicates permission. “Shashin o totte” is “shashin o toru” or “to take a photo” in the TE-form.

(See pp. 150-151)

## Use It!

ふく しちやく  
この服、試着してもいいですか。

**Kono fuku<sup>1</sup>, shichaku-shite<sup>1</sup> mo i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su ka.**

もちろんです。

**Mochi<sup>1</sup>ron de<sup>1</sup>su.**

May I try these clothes on?  
Of course.



## Try It Out!

～てもいいですか。 May I XXX?

～te mo i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su ka.

① 入る (→入って)

ha<sup>1</sup>iru (→ha<sup>1</sup>it<sup>1</sup>te)

enter



② 休む (→休んで)

yasu<sup>1</sup>mu (→yasu<sup>1</sup>nde)

rest



## Counting People

1	2	3	4	5
hito <sup>1</sup> ri	futari <sup>1</sup>	san-nin san-ni <sup>1</sup> n	yo-nin yo-ni <sup>1</sup> n	go-nin go-ni <sup>1</sup> n



## Step-up



## Japanese Music

Japan has many genres of music, including J-pop, anime songs, and enka to name a few. There's also traditional music using Japanese instruments such as the koto harp, the three-stringed shamisen, and wadaiko drums.

### Koto performance



### Wadaiko performance



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J-pop by itself has idol groups, rock bands, and so on, involving various artists. Music festivals across the country feature both domestic artists and those from abroad.

### Summer Sonic



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### Fuji Rock Festival



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Answer ① はい入ってもいいですか。  
② やすんでもいいですか。

Ha'itte mo i'i de'su ka.

Yasu'nde mo i'i de'su ka.