

Soto no hoo ga ii desu

I prefer outside.



## Today's Skit

あやか： タム、<sup>なか</sup>中に<sup>すわ</sup>座る？

Ayaka Ta<sup>1</sup>mu, na<sup>1</sup>ka ni suwaru?

Tam, do you want to sit inside?

それとも、<sup>そと</sup>外の<sup>い</sup>デッキ<sup>い</sup>に行く？

Soreto<sup>1</sup>mo, so<sup>1</sup>to no de<sup>1</sup>kki ni iku?

Or do you want to go up on the deck?

タム：<sup>そと</sup>外のほうがいいです。

Tam So<sup>1</sup>to no ho<sup>1</sup>o ga i<sup>1</sup>i de<sup>1</sup>su.

I prefer outside.

わあ、<sup>ふじさん</sup>富士山<sup>い</sup>！きれい！

Waa, Fu<sup>1</sup>ji-san! Ki<sup>1</sup>ree!

Wow, Mt. Fuji!  
It's beautiful!

あやか：<sup>ほんとう</sup>本当。

Ayaka Hontoo.

It really is.

タム：<sup>きもち</sup>気持ちいい！

Tam Kimochi i<sup>1</sup>i!

What a great feeling!

あやか：<sup>きょう</sup>今日は、<sup>は</sup>晴れてよかったね。

Ayaka Kyo<sup>1</sup>o wa, ha<sup>1</sup>rete yo<sup>1</sup>katta ne.

We're lucky it turned out sunny today.

### Vocabulary

<sup>なか</sup>中 inside  
na<sup>1</sup>ka

<sup>すわ</sup>座る sit  
suwaru

それとも or  
soreto<sup>1</sup>mo

<sup>そと</sup>外 outside  
so<sup>1</sup>to

デッキ deck  
de<sup>1</sup>kki

<sup>ふじさん</sup>富士山 Mt. Fuji  
Fu<sup>1</sup>ji-san

きれい(な) beautiful  
ki<sup>1</sup>ree (na)

<sup>きもち</sup>気持ちいい feel good  
kimochi i<sup>1</sup>i

<sup>は</sup>晴れる clear  
hare<sup>1</sup>ru

Key Phrase

外のほうがいいです。

So<sup>to</sup> no ho<sup>o</sup> ga i<sup>i</sup> de<sup>su</sup>.

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To compare two things, say “(A yori) B no hoo ga + [adjective].” This indicates B is more [adjective] than A. When it's clear what's being compared, you can omit “A yori.”

Use It!

洋室と和室、どちらがよろしいですか。

Yooshitsu to washitsu, do<sup>chira</sup> ga yoroshi<sup>i</sup> de<sup>su</sup> ka.

洋室より和室のほうが広いですね。和室にします。

Yooshitu yo<sup>ri</sup> washitsu no ho<sup>o</sup> ga hiro<sup>i</sup> de<sup>su</sup> ne. Washitsu ni shima<sup>su</sup>.

Which kind of room would you prefer, Western-style or Japanese-style? The Japanese-style room is larger than the Western-style room, isn't it? I'll take the Japanese-style room.

Try It Out!

(Aより) Bのほうが[adjective]です(ね)。

B is more [adjective]

(A yo<sup>ri</sup>) B no ho<sup>o</sup> ga [adjective] de<sup>su</sup> (ne).

(than A) (,isn't it?)

- ① A 肉 (niku<sup>1</sup>) meat  
 B 魚 (sakana) fish  
 好き(な) (suki<sup>1</sup> (na)) favorite

- ② B この店 (kono mise<sup>1</sup>) this store  
 安い (yasui) cheap



Days and Weeks

Day	yesterday	today	tomorrow
	kino <sup>o</sup> / kinoo	kyo <sup>o</sup>	ashita <sup>1</sup>
Week	last week	this week	next week
	senshuu	konshuu	raishuu



Step-up



## Climbing Mt. Fuji

Mt. Fuji is Japan's highest peak at 3,776 meters. The climbing season lasts from July to early September. There are several trails, but the most popular way is to take a bus to the fifth station and trek up from there.



The spectacular panorama of clouds and the scenery below makes the climb worthwhile. Many people stay overnight in lodges near the seventh and eighth stations, then get up early to reach the summit in time for the sunrise.

View from the summit



Sunrise seen from the summit



Mt. Fuji Climbing Official website

Answer ① にくよりさかなのほうがすきです。  
② この店のほうがやすいですね。

Niku<sup>1</sup> yori sakana no ho'o ga suki<sup>1</sup> de'su.

Kono mise no ho'o ga yasui<sup>1</sup> de'su ne.