## Week 1 – Term 1 – May 2016 – Class Contents – Intermediate Class

# **Agenda**

- 1. WARM-UP: Introduce Yourself
- 2. LEARN: "Think and respond" technique
- 3. REVIEW: Business Opinion Phrases
- 4. Homework Assignment

### **Term 1 Schedule**

• Duration: 9 weeks

Dates: May 24th – July 22nd

• Number of class meetings: 9

• Your target: Attend 9 class meetings

#### **Announcement**

- There will be a **TOEIC Speaking Test** in June.
- HR will make the announcement later regarding the date and the time of the Speaking Test.
- Good luck!

#### Term 1

- A. From Term 1, you will learn how to improve:
- 1. Speaking skills
- 2. Listening skills
- 3. Writing skills
- 4. Reading skills
- B. Your English improvement will depend on "how much you <u>participate</u> in class.
- → More participation = MORE English improvement
- → Less participation = LESS English improvement

### **English Speaking Self – Check**

- 1. Is your English clear?
- Can Native Speakers of English understand your English?
- 2. Is your pronunciation correct?
- 3. Is your voice dynamic and at a good volume level?
- 4. Are you speaking with confidence?
- 5. Are you using pauses, emphasizing, and stretching KEY words?

### **LEARN: TWO minute Self Introduction**

- 1. In business, it is very important to use vocabulary that will give your audience or listener an "image" of the words that you are trying to communicate.
- 2. In today's lesson, first, we will introduce ourselves to each other.
- 3. Make sure you:
- A. Say your name clearly.
- B. Make a good first impression.
- C. Have a nice smile and atmosphere.
- Time Limit: 2 minutes speaking

## **LEARN: 5 - Point Self Introduction Technique**

- 1. Hello. My name is First (Pause) Last.
- 2. I work in the .....(Work place)
- 3. I am a .....(Job Title)
- 4. I am responsible for ....(1 point job content)
- 5. It's a pleasure to meet you. (Pause) Thank you.

#### **KEY FACT**

- 1. In order to INCREASE your English skills, you need to INCREASE the **FREQUENCY** of your OUTPUT.
- 2. Therefore, from Term 1, your target is to INCREASE the number of times you speak in class every week.
- 3. If you increase your **FREQUENCY** of speaking, then you will increase your **SPEAKING** skills.
- Good luck!

# **Today's TARGET**

- Be able to say your opinion in less than **5** seconds!
- → Think and respond!

# **REVIEW:** Business Opinion Phrases (Set 1)

- 1. My take is....
- 2. From my point of view, ...
- 3. The way I see it, ...
- 4. It seems to me that....
- 5. I tend to believe....
- Impact Speaking Technique:
- → Stretch: I, my, and me

## PRACTICE #1: What do you think about these topics?

- 1. Japan
- 2. Kawasaki
- 3. Shirakawa
- 4. Kanto
- 5. United States

## **REVIEW:** Business Opinion Phrases (Set 2)

- 6. From my perspective, ....
- 7. In my opinion, ...
- 8. From my experience, ....
- 9. From my stand point, ....
- 10. From my viewpoint, .....
- Impact Speaking Technique:
- → Stretch: I, my, and me

# PRACTICE #2: What do you think about these topics?

- 6. D and M Holdings
- 7. Smart phones
- 8. Email
- 9. The internet
- 10. Japanese People

### **HOMEWORK**

- Directions:
- 1. Write down **10** opinions about **10** topics. (Any topic is okay.)
- 2. Be prepared to present your data several times next week.
- 3. So, please practice and make your speaking smooth before you come to class next week.
- Good luck!