## Week 1 – Term 1 – May 2017 – Class Contents – ADVANCED Class

## **Agenda**

1. LEARN: "Prefer" and "Preferences"

2. STUDY: Key Preference Questions

3. PRACTICE: Preference Patterns

4. HOMEWORK

#### **Term 1 Schedule**

1. Dates: May 16th - July 14th

2. Duration: 9 Weeks

3. Focus: "Improve" Speaking

#### **LAST TERM FACT:**

• Standard TOEIC scores increased.

Speaking TOEIC scores did not increase.

• Result: "Disappointing" Results

#### **TERM 1 Plan**

• <u>3</u> Key Focus Points:

• Focus on: "Response Timing"

• Focus on: "Quick and logical thinking + Quick English response"

• Focus on: "Intense" Speaking

#### **POINTS TO IMPROVE in TERM 1**

- 1. Think and respond quickly.
- 2. Organize a logical answer in your mind.
- 3. Answer (Execute) in a timely manner. (in 10 seconds.)

**Goal Technique:** 

Think → Organize → Execute

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## Today's Key Word #1: Prefer

- Dictionary Check Time: "Prefer"
- Definition: a term referring to a long-distance road relay running race.

## **Today's Key Word #2: Preferences**

Dictionary Check Time: "Preferences"

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## **LEARN: Key Preferences Questions**

- TWO COMMON Key Questions:
- "What are your preferences?"
- "Do you have any preferences?"

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#### **LEARN: Key Pattern**

"Which do you prefer, A or B?"

#### **Examples:**

- A. Which do you prefer, using a tablet, or using a notebook?
- B. Which do you prefer, coffee or tea?
- C. Which do you prefer, working at Kawasaki or working at Shirakawa?

**CLASS PRACTICE ACTIVITY: Now make 3 original examples!** 

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## **Key Point to remember:**

- 1. "Which do you prefer, A or B?"
- 2. "Which do you prefer, A or B and why?" (Found on TOEIC Speaking Test)

Note: "and why" means give your reason.

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**LEARN:** Answer Technique for "Prefer"

### **Key Phrase:**

"I prefer A over B + REASON + Support Example" + Ending.

Note: "over" means "more than."

## **REVIEW: 3 "Starting" Phrases**

- 1. Actually
- 2. To be honest
- · 3. Personally

#### **Key Example 1:**

Actually, I prefer using a laptop over desktop PCs simply because it's more convenient for me. For example, I can bring my laptop anywhere. Therefore, I prefer using a laptop.

#### **Key Example 2:**

To be honest, I prefer working at Shirakawa over Kawasaki mainly because the air is much cleaner. i.e. I can go jogging in fresh air in the morning. Therefore, I prefer working at Shirakawa.

#### **Key Example 3:**

Personally, I prefer coffee over tea primarily because coffee helps my body to wake up more than tea at my office in the morning. Case in point, I always drink coffee before I start work in the morning. Therefore, I prefer coffee.

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# **HOMEWORK**

Directions: For the next class, prepare and write your answer to these questions:

- 1. Which do you prefer Bluetooth headphones or wired headphones and why?
- 2. Which do you prefer having a meeting on Monday or having a meeting on Friday and why?
- 3. Which do you prefer using the internet or using SNS and why?
- 4. Which do you prefer using a laptop PC or using a desktop PC and why?
- 5. Which do you prefer living in the city or living in the country and why?
- → Be sure to **TYPE** and **PRINTOUT** your answers for next week.
- → Also....Be sure to PRACTICE saying your Homework data answers BEFORE you come to the next class!
- → REASON: Your speaking target is to be able to say each answer in 10 seconds smoothly!
- → Good luck!
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