A. Common Mistake (よくある間違い)

Read the article below and see if you can improve it.

下の文章を読んで、改善できる点はないか探してみましょう。

Kei: Hi, Bob.

Bob: Hi, Kei.

Kei: It’s cold.

Bob: Yes, it’s cold.

Kei: Will it snow?

Bob: Maybe.

Kei: So did you hear about that accident at the factory?

Bob: Yes, I heard about the accident at the factory.

Kei: I hope everyone will be okay.

Bob: Me too.
B. Today’s point (今日のポイント)

Check those points with your tutor.

講師と一緒に、以下のポイントを確認しましょう。

It’s important to learn how to greet and talk to your colleagues at the beginning of the day, or during break times. This helps the staff feel like a cohesive unit and friendly towards one another.

When trying to start conversations naturally, use “～, isn’t it?” and “looks like～.”

C. Natural Conversation (会話練習)

Read the following sentences with your tutor keeping today’s points in mind.

Today’s pointに注意しながら、以下の文章を読みましょう。

Kei: Hi, Bob!

Bob: Hello, Kei. It sure is cold out today, isn’t it?

Kei: Yes, very cold. Looks like it might snow.

Bob: It could very well snow, just in time for Christmas, too!

Kei: So did you see the news about the big accident at the factory this morning?

Bob: Yes, I caught some of that news story. What happened exactly?

Kei: I’m not sure, but I hope everyone will be okay.

Bob: Yeah, me too.
D. Practice (練習問題)

Answer the questions.

以下の問いに答えましょう。

1. Do you like engaging in small talk? Why or why not?

2. When not talking about work–related topics with your colleagues, what other topics do you like to discuss?

3. Do you consider yourself shy or outgoing?

E. Exercise (演習)

Do a rollplay with your tutor on the topic below using what you learned today.

今日学んだことを活かして、以下のトピックについて講師とロールプレイングしてみましょう。

Find a partner and act out a scene from work in which you talk to him/her about the weather. Now the other person asks you about a current event.