



A. Vocabulary Study

Study the following words and expressions with your tutor.

Vocabulary	Meaning
daunting	difficult; intimidating
evident	plain or clear to the sight or understanding
hierarchy	a system where people or objects are arranged based on importance
go dutch	to have each person pay his or her own expense
reassure	encourage, to restore to assurance or confidence

B. Reading Practice

Check the pronunciation, meaning and usage of the words with your tutor.

Party After Work The Japanese Way

1. Punctuality is the Soul of Business (and Drinking)

It is not just enough for you to come on time, it should be at the right timing. Wait for your boss to arrive, followed by your sempai (your senior). You should be the last one to get inside.

2. Assigned Seating Is Implied

In a Japanese Izakaya restaurant, seating arrangement is very **evident**. Seating arrangement may seem **daunting** at first but to follow the rule, just simply sit in the corner closest to the exit.

3. A Well-Maintained Glass Is Essential for Harmony

In the business culture the lower ranking company member usually pours a drink to the higher ranking company member. However, the **hierarchy** becomes less strict when the drinking session becomes longer.

4. Always Offer to Pay Your Share

Payment in a Japanese Izakaya party is always not planned. Most often, everyone decides to **go dutch** but lower ranking company members usually pay less. In a group, someone is usually assigned as the collector, so always ask how much your share is with your wallet ready. Sometimes, when you're lucky enough, the boss shoulders the total bill amount.

5. End the Night with Tradition

A decent Japanese party usually starts with “Kampai” (Cheers!) and ends it with “Gochisou-sama deshita!” (it was a feast). This is to **reassure** everyone that you are grateful for the food and their company.

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C. Sentence Construction Practice

Construct your own sentences using the words listed below.

A. daunting

A 1. _____

A 2. _____

B. evident

B 1. _____

B 2. _____

C. hierarchy

C 1. _____

C 2. _____

D. go dutch

D 1. _____

D 2. _____

E. reassure

E 1. _____

E 2. _____

D. Comprehension Questions

Answer the following questions based on the article.

- 1 Who should be the first person to get inside the venue when going to a party?

When going to a party, the first person to get inside the venue should be...

- 2 What is very evident in a Japanese Izakaya restaurant?

What's evident in a Japanese Izakaya restaurant is the...

- 3 What does the lower company member do when drinking?

The lower company member usually ...

- 4 What's the best thing to do when you want to know how much you are going to pay?

The best thing to do when you want to know how much you are going to pay is...

- 5 How do the Japanese start and end every Japanese Izakaya party?

The Japanese start and end every Japanese Izakaya party by...

E. Discussion Questions

Answer the following questions based on your opinion.

- 1 Which item in “Party After Work The Japanese Way” do you think is the most important?

I think the most important is...

- 2 Why is drinking with co-workers important in Japanese work culture?

It is important in Japanese culture because...

- 3 What activities do you enjoy while at a drinking party?

The activities I enjoy doing while at a drinking party are...