

Lesson 11: What I am Good at/ Not Good at

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1. Dialogue

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, practice each role.

Anna: It smells like something's burning. What is it?

Miho: (depressed) I over baked the cookies again. I've been practicing how to bake and cook but I simply burn everything. I am never going to be a good housewife.

Anna: Don't give up, honey. I also make mistakes in the kitchen.

Miho: You've always been a good home maker. Your house is clean, your schedule is organized and your food is delicious.

Anna: That's true but I really **suck at** gardening. My front yard is as bare as the Sahara desert. Your garden is amazing, though!

Miho: Well, you're right about that (smiling). I could probably teach you a thing or two about gardening.

Anna: See? There are some things that you can do well. Look at how well you have house-trained your pets. I can never keep a dog. They either run away or die.

Miho: Hmm...(thinking) Come to think of it, I connect well with plants and animals.

Anna: Well, then, you can also be good at cooking one day. It's just a matter of trial and error.

Miho: Thanks for the encouragement, Anna. You're quite the pep talker.

2. Today's Phrase

First, repeat after your tutor. Then, make a few sentences using Today's phrase.

1. Anne may be a good singer but she **sucks at** dancing.
2. Don't ask me to cook for you because I really **suck at** it.
3. A: How was your game? B: I picked a wrong partner. Jack really **sucks at** tennis.

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3. Your Task

You are in a job interview. Your interviewer (=your teacher) asked you about the things that you do really well in a working environment. The interviewer also asked about what skills you need to improve on in the professional field. Give an explanation to your answers.

4. Let's Talk

What are the things that you are good at doing? Talk about your achievements in school, sports and at work. How did you become good at those things? Do you think someone can still be good at something that he/she really doesn't like doing?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words.



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