

Lesson 13: How to Express Your Demands/ Requests

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1. Dialogue

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

Mr. Watanabe: Kindly pull out the files for TDK Company. I need them on my desk by noon.

Jack: Can I ask what you need them for, sir? Maybe I could do the job for you.

Mr. Watanabe: I need to review the pricing that we've given TDK in the past. Do you have time to go through the archives?

Jack: I have them all in my computer, sir. I can do the review right now.

Mr. Watanabe: Very well. I also need you to join me and Mr. Suzuki for some drinks tonight.

Jack: It would be my pleasure, sir.

Mr. Watanabe: I hope you don't mind but I ask you not to drink too much. You've got to drive me home. Mr. Suzuki is **quite the drinker**.

Jack: I can do that, sir.

Mr. Watanabe: Well, it's settled then. Thanks for your help. You can go back to work.

Jack: I'll be burying myself in the TDK files, sir.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. Ken is **quite the character**. Everybody loves his jolly personality.
2. A: What do you think of my new girlfriend? B: She is **quite the story-teller**. I was entertained the whole time.
3. Your puppy is adorable! He's **quite the looker**.

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3. Your Task

You are the boss or the CEO and your teacher is your employee. Give orders to your employee in the nicest possible way but still maintaining your CEO tone.

4. Let's Talk

When was the last time you made a request to someone?

How did you make the request? Did it turn out good for you?

Have you ever had to bribe someone in the past when you've made a request? Explain and expand on your answer.

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words.



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