

Lesson 49: At the Movie Theater

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1. Dialogue

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

Ben: I'm glad we got here early. I think the theater's going to be full tonight.

Atsushi: Can't we reserve seats hours in advance?

Ben: We can do that in some cinemas especially in an IMAX theater.

Atsushi: Ben, I have an embarrassing question. Before I ask, can you promise not to laugh?

Ben: Come on, buddy. You can ask me anything.

Atsushi: Will there be subtitles in this movie?

Ben: I'm sorry but I'm afraid we have no use for subtitles in American theaters.

Atsushi: I see.

Ben: If there's anything you don't understand about the movie, just give me a nudge. I'll explain what's happening as best as I can.

Atsushi: Don't worry. We can talk about it after the movie. It'll **give us something to talk about** over a cold bottle of beer.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. A: Lady Gaga was caught drunk driving. B: That'll **give her fans something to talk about**.
2. My company just promoted a 30-year old to be vice president. It **gave the employees something to talk about**.
3. The movie had a puzzling ending. We didn't know whether the main character died or not. It really **gave me and my friends something to talk about**.

* give (people) something to talk about / (人に) 話題を提供する、話のネタになる

3. Your Task

You have just bought tickets for a movie. As you enter the cinema, the theater employee tells you that you have tickets for another movie title. Go to the theater cashier and tell him/her (=your tutor) that you were mistakenly given wrong tickets. Tell him/her to change the tickets and that he/she should hurry because the movie is about to start.

4. Let's Talk

How often do you watch a movie? What kind of movies do you watch? Do you prefer to see films on your home entertainment system or in a theater? Why?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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