

Lesson 50: At the Zoo

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1. Dialogue

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

Bob: (Looking at penguins) Have you ever seen a penguin before?

Hideko: This is my first time. I've always wanted to see one up-close. What fascinating creatures!

Bob: Do you think penguins can dance just like in the movies?

Hideko: Nah. That's story was made up so that people will be encouraged to take animal causes seriously.

Bob: What about that leopard seal? (pointing to the creature) It looks timid but it can gobble up a whole penguin **in one sitting**.

Hideko: Really? (Looking at the seal) Look at those sharp teeth! Imagine being chased by that.

Bob: It must be terrifying. It makes you wish you could take the penguins home.

Hideko: That, as they say, is the circle of life.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. I can't finish a liter of soda **in one sitting**.
2. Wow! That guy ate a whole chicken **in one sitting**.
3. There's always leftover turkey from Thanksgiving dinner. I wish my guests would eat the whole thing **in one sitting**.

* in one sitting / 一気に

3. Your Task

You are walking around the zoo. You see a deer lying down on the ground and it looks very sick. Find a zoo attendant (=your tutor) and tell him/her what you saw. Lead the attendant to where you saw the deer and find out what he/she is going to do with the animal.

4. Let's Talk

Have you ever visited a Japanese zoo? What animals are kept there?

Do you think that animals should be kept in a zoo? Why or why not?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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