

Lesson 53: At the Post Office

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1. Dialogue

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

Emiko: What are we doing in the post office, dad?

Adrian: We're here to send Christmas cards to our friends and family.

Emiko: But it's not even Christmas yet.

Adrian: It takes some time for the letters to reach people in the U.S.

Emiko: I see. So, why don't you just use the e-mail?

Adrian: **Sending** Christmas cards **through the mail** is a tradition, honey. We should keep it that way.

2. Today's Phrase

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

1. A: Have you sent mom's birthday card? B: Yes. It was **sent through the mail**.

2. It's not a good idea to **send food through the mail**.

3. Have you ever **sent** anyone some money **through the mail**?

* sent ... through the mail / 郵便経由で...を送る

3. Your Task

You would like to send New Year's cards to your friends. It's your first time to visit a post office in the U.S. You're not sure how to send mail so ask the help of a post office employee (=your tutor). You should also ask how long it will take for your cards to reach your friends in Japan.

4. Let's Talk

Have you ever sent mail through the post office?

If yes, to whom did you send the letter? Have you received a letter/card from the mail? If yes, who sent it?

Which is better: to receive letters / cards through the mail or to receive them by email? Why do you think so?

5. Today's photo

Describe the photo in your words as precisely as possible.



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