

REVIEW UNIT 47

At a Business Lunch or Dinner / Gathering (Units 43, 44, 45, & 46)

Introduction

Describe each picture.



 Q & A

Answer the following questions:

43 Business Lunch / Dinner

- a. How important is having business meetings over lunch / dinner?
 - Discuss ways to invite a business partner to lunch/dinner
 - What are the things that we should be mindful of when having lunch/dinner with a client?
- b. Why does food play an important role in business meetings?
 - How do you recommend restaurants/food to business associates?
 - Are there table etiquette rules that you have to follow?

44 Arriving at the party / Being introduced

- a. Do you usually initiate a conversation during a gathering or do you wait for someone to start it?
 - How do you introduce yourself to someone? Introduce someone to others?
- b. What kind of party do most companies in Japan throw? (Halloween, Christmas, etc.)
 - How do employees feel about attending a company party?

45 Joining Another Group

- a. Do you stay in one group until the party ends or mingle with as many groups as you can?
- b. Is it a good idea to be part of different groups/teams in the workplace from time to time?
 - What do you think is good about it?
 - What do you think is its drawback?

46 Making a Toast / Exiting a Party

- a. What does giving a toast mean?
 - What do you say when you make a toast?
 - Is giving a toast part of your culture?
- b. Is it considered rude to exit a party even if it is still ongoing?
 - What do you say when you want to leave an event?

 **Role Play**

Do the role play with your teacher.

SITUATION

You are having lunch with your client. Order some food and drinks for him/her.

1. Ask him/her what he/she likes to have:

- food (vegetarian or not)
- drinks (alcohol, soda, or water)

2. Recommend one dish that the restaurant is serving.

Say that you are happy that the client found time to see you again.



You see a former colleague at a friend's birthday party. Approach him and ask about:

- how he is
- his current job, etc.
- his plans for the weekend
- his available time so you can have coffee together



You and your colleagues are celebrating the success of closing a deal with one of the biggest companies in your country. Make a toast to the people behind the success:

1. your boss
2. co-workers



 *Extra exercise!*



Talk about the best party you have attended

You should say:

- **what the party was for**
- **where it was held**
- **who attended the party**
- **what food they served**

and say why it was the best