



“Is she smart?”

SCENE: Two HR managers are talking about Yuri after her interview with Joji.

Peter: Who is she?

Thomas: Her name is Yuri Sawada.

Peter: Is she smart?

Thomas: I think so. Look...she went to a famous university.

Peter: Hmm... So she's young and hardworking.

Thomas: Yes. And Joji said she is very positive.


Peter: Well, I am impressed.

Thomas: Me, too.



PRACTICE 1: We talk about people using adjectives (形容詞). Finish the chart with your instructor.

	Positive Adjective 形容詞 [+]	Negative Adjective 形容詞 [-]
He is	Tall	Short
She is...	Happy	Sad/Angry
They are...	Young	Old
We are...	Positive	Negative
You are...	Smart	Stupid
I am...	Nice	Mean

 **Remember!** When talking about people, try to use *positive words*!

PRACTICE 2: Tell your instructor about the people in each picture.

USEFUL PHRASES:

He isn't ____.

She is ____.

They are ____.

He is ____.

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④



Remember! Talk about clothing, age, height, face and gender.

PRACTICE 2: Now ask and answer questions about the people in each picture.

USEFUL PHRASES:

Is he ____?

Is she ____?

Are they ____?

Answers:

Yes, he/she is.

No, he's/she's not.

Yes, they are./ No, they aren't.

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Remember! Be *polite* when asking questions about people!

PRACTICE 3: Find the direct (直接的な) and indirect (間接的な) sentences below. Use them to talk about the people in each picture.

Example: *He's not young at all. (direct)*

USEFUL PHRASES: He's not young. / He's old.
He's not very young.
He's kind of young.
He's young.
He's very young.
He's really young.

DRILLS:

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Remember! It is usually *more polite* to use indirect sentences.

PRACTICE 3: Find the direct (直接的な) and indirect (間接的な) sentences below. Use them to talk about the people in each picture.

Example: *He's not young at all. (direct)*

USEFUL PHRASES: He's not young. / He's old. (direct)

He's not very young. (indirect)

He's kind of young. (indirect)

He's young. (direct)

He's very young. (direct)

He's really young. (direct)

DRILLS:

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Remember! It is usually *more polite* to use indirect sentences.

Task: Talk about the people in the pictures with your instructor.



Remember! Clothing color is a simple way to talk about people.



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