

Though I practiced very hard - Sentence patterns and examples

Class Objective: I am able to understand all the grammar pattern and example Sentences

Concept A: Grammar

V	Plain Form	のに、～
い—Adj		
な—Adj		
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のに follows either verbs, adjectives or nouns. Their forms used with のに are shown above. のに is used when what is stated in the second clause runs contrary to what is expected from the first clause.

1. 約束(やくそく)を したのに、彼女は 来(き)ませんでした。

She did not come, even though she promised.

2. きょうは 日曜日(にちようび)なのに、働(はたら)かなければ なりません。

Even though today is Sunday, I have to work.

In ① the speaker expects that the woman will come because she promised to do so. So he naturally feels disappointed that she did not come. In ②, Sunday is normally a holiday, yet the speaker has to work so he feels dissatisfied. The second clause implies feelings of unexpectedness or dissatisfaction.

[Note] The difference between ～のに and ～が/～でも

3. わたしの 部屋(へや)は 狭(せま)いですが、きれいです。 (X狭(せま)いのに)

My room is small but clean.

4. あした 雨(あめ)が 降(ふ)っても、出(で)かけます。 (X雨(あめ)が 降(ふ)るのに)

Even if it rains tomorrow, I will go out.

～が and ～でも in ③ and ④ cannot be substituted with ～のに. This is because simply ③ joins two different evaluations together and the second clause does not represent an unexpected

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