

## Listening Practice #1:

- Louise: Morning, Fred. What are you doing?  
Fred: I'm watching a video. My friend, Howard, sent it to me.  
Louise: What kind of video is it?  
Fred: It's a video of his birdie in Shiga last Saturday.  
Louise: Birdie? I didn't know he had a pet bird.  
Fred: No, no, I mean a birdie in golf! It's a pretty good score.  
Louise: Sorry, I don't know anything about golf. Are you good at it?  
Fred: I'm better than Howard. I got an eagle last Sunday!  
Louise: An eagle? All these golf terms are so confusing!  
Fred: Sorry, Louise. I'll try to speak in simple English.

## Vocabulary and Grammar

birdie (in golf)	規定打数より 1 打少ないスコア・鳥
eagle	規定打数より 2 打少ないスコア・ワシ (鳥)
term	(専門)用語
confusing	ややこしい

## Questions

1. What is Fred doing now? → He is watching a video.
2. Who is Howard? → He is Fred's friend.
3. What kind of video is it? → It's a video of his Howard's birdie.
4. When and where was the video taken? → It was taken in Shiga last Sunday.
5. Does Howard have a pet bird? → No, he doesn't.
6. What is a birdie in golf? → It's a good score.
7. Is Howard or Fred better at golf? → Fred is better than Howard.
8. What does Louise think about golf terms? → She thinks they are confusing.

## Part 2: Pronunciation Practice — Japanese words in English

rock	red	right
lock	led	light

盆栽 = BON-zai                      照り焼き = teri-YA-key

1. The **bonsai** has light green leaves.
2. The **rock** path on the **right** led to a locked door.
3. I ordered the **teriyaki** chicken and some red wine.

## Listening Practice #2:

I have been playing golf every week for the past five years. Fred is one of my friends at the golf club. He is a great guy. He is cheerful, punctual, and knows a lot about golf. The only bad thing about Fred is he's a bit too competitive. Every time I have a good game, he tries to get a better score than me. Honestly, it doesn't bother me. I'm just having fun playing the game.

## Vocabulary and Grammar

the past five years	ここ 5 年間
punctual	時間を守る・遅刻しない
competitive	競争心が強い・負けず嫌い
honestly	正直に言うと
It doesn't bother me	私は気にならない・構わない

## Questions

1. When did I start playing golf? → Five years ago.
2. Who is Fred? → One of your friends at the golf club.
3. What kind of person is Fred? → He is cheerful and punctual.
4. Does he know a lot about golf? → Yes, he knows a lot about golf.
5. What is the one bad thing about Fred? → He is a bit too competitive.
6. What does Fred do when I have a good game? → He tries to get a better score (than you).
7. Does that bother me? → No, it doesn't.
8. Why doesn't it bother me? → Because you're just having fun playing the game.