Lesson 40

Welcome to the Main Office!

Conversation

Take turns with your student reading this dialogue out loud.

Renee: Hello? This is Renee McCormick.

CEO: Good morning, Renee! Or good evening, depending on where you are. This is Charles Butler.

Renee: Charles Butler... The CEO?

CEO: Yes! I know you're **on vacation** but I wanted to talk to you on the phone before you officially start working at the main office.

Renee: I'm... honored! What can I do for you, Mr. Butler?

CEO: Well, I wanted to tell you that we're **counting down the days** until you join us! Everyone's thrilled to hear about your accomplishments and excited to meet you and work with you.

Renee: Wha... I don't know what to say. I look forward to working with everyone, too! Thank you for this personal phone call, Mr. Butler.

CEO: No problem. You will have a lot to catch up on in your first week, so come prepared, haha! **Enjoy the rest of your** time off and I'll see you on your first day. Welcome aboard!

Key Expressions

Review these key expressions as they are used in the context of the dialogue.

1. depending on ~에 따라, ~의 상황에 따라 (달라지는) depend on 이라고 하면 원래 '~에 의존하다'라는 뜻

What you get varies **depending on** the options you choose. The prices are different **depending on** which store you go to.

선택하시는 옵션에 따라 받으시는 결과물이 달라집니다. 어느 매장에 가느냐에 따라서 가격이 달라집니다.

2. on vacation 휴가 중인

vacation 은 be, go on, take 등의 동사들과 함께 사용할 수 있다.

Who's calling me? I'm on vacation!
I'm on vacation and dreading to go back to work.

나 휴가 중인데 누가 전화하는 거지? 나 휴가 중인데 다시 출근할 일이 두려워.

3. count down the days 손꼽아 기다리다

'날짜를 세어가며 기다리다' 라는 의미

These people are **counting down the days** until you relieve their workload.

이 사람들은 당신이 업무 강도를 줄여주는 날을 손꼽아 기다리고 있어요.

We are **counting down the days** until the 4-day weekend starts. 우리는 주말을 낀 4일 연휴를 손꼽아 기다리고 있어요.

4. enjoy the rest of your 남은 ~도 즐겁게 보내세요 your 뒤에는 day, week, weekend 등 다양한 표현이 올 수 있다.

Enjoy the rest of your evening.
Enjoy the rest of your vacation!

남은 저녁 시간도 즐겁게 보내세요. 휴가지에서의 남은 시간 즐겁게 보내세요.

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New Words

Learn these new words. Discuss any vocabulary that needs further explanation.

officially	공식적으로	in an official role
honored	영광인	having an illustrious reputation
thrilled	신나 하는, 설레는	feeling intense pleasurable excitement
personal	개인적인	concerning or affecting a particular person or his or her private life and personality
catch up	따라잡다	reach the point where one should be after a delay

Grammar Point

Review this grammar pattern. Make more well-constructed sentences using the pattern.

look forward to

- 'look forward to + (동)명사'의 형태
- to 다음에 동사원형을 쓰지 않도록 주의

I look forward to working with everyone, too!

I look forward to work with everyone, too! (X)

I'm looking forward to having dessert at that restaurant.

I'm looking forward to have dessert at that restaurant. (X)

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

• I look forward to hear from you soon. (X)

저도 모든 분들과 일할 생각에 설레네요!

그 음식점에서 후식을 먹으려고 고대하고 있어요.

답장을 빨리 주시면 감사하겠습니다.

What about You?

Using any time left, discuss the answers to these questions.

- 1. Have you ever changed jobs? What was your onboarding process like for the new job? If this is your first job, you can talk about someone you know who has gone through a new employee onboarding process.
- 2. Let's talk about when you got your current job. Were your on-the-job responsibilities exactly what you had expected them to be? If not, how did you fill the gaps?