# **1000** Sentence Patterns by Era

- 1. Are you sure...? ඔයාට විශ්වාසද?
  - Are you sure?
  - Are you sure about that?
  - Are you sure of what you said?
  - Are you sure that he is not coming?
- 2. Are you used to? ඔයාට හුරුයිද?
  - Are you used to using this machine?
  - Are you used to life here?
  - Are you used to eating Korean food?
- 3. As far as...As far as I know / As far as I can remember මම දන්නා තරමින්
  - As far as I can remember, he didn't come home until midnight.
  - As far as I know she has not a phone
  - As far as I can see, he's a big liar.
- 4. But this doesn't mean that... එකෙන් කියවෙන්නේ නැහැ
  - You are much older than I am, but it doesn't mean that you are right about everything.
  - I like you, but this doesn't mean that I'll marry you.
- 5. By the way...ඒක නෙමෙයි
  - By the way, is there a bathroom in the apartment?
  - By the way, do you have any change on you?
  - By the way, he is a difficult person
- 6. Compared to... අනිත් එකත් සසදලා බැලුවම
  - Compared to other students, she is quite hard working.
  - Compared to city life, country life is quiet and peaceful.
  - Compared to fans, air-conditioners are more comfortable.
- 7. Did you use to... ඉස්සර කලාද?
  - Did you use to live in Tokyo?
  - Did you use to get up early?
  - You used to smoke heavily, didn't you?

#### 8. Don't ever...කවදාවක් එපා

- Don't ever lose these papers.
- Don't ever miss a good opportunity.
- Don't ever arrive late for an interview.

#### 9. Do you agree...?ඔයා එකගද?

- Do you agree that we should start early?
- Do you agree with my plan?
- Will he agree to the conditions in the contract?

#### 10. Do you carry this in...? ඔයා ගේනවද?

- Don't ever lose these papers. They are of great importance to our company.
- Don't ever miss a good opportunity.
- Don't ever arrive late for an interview.

#### 11. Do you have... available?ඔයා ගාව තියෙනවද?

- Do you have any single rooms available?
- Do you have any tickets available?
- Do you have any shoes in size 20 available?

## 12. Do/Would you mind...?කමක් නැද්ද?

- Would you mind if I smoke here?
- Do you mind opening the window?
- Do you mind if I ask you a question?

#### 13. Do you feel like...?ඔයාට හිතෙනවද?

- Do you feel like going for a walk on the beach?
- Do you feel like going shopping at the Marina Mall?
- Do you feel like eating some ice cream or having cake or both?
- Do you feel like having some coffee?

#### 14. Shouldn't we...?කරන්න ඕන නැද්ද?

- Shouldn't we ask for permission first?
- Shouldn't we read the directions before we install the air conditioner?
- Shouldn't we check the weather before we go out?

# 15. Have you ever...?කවදාහරි කරලා තියෙනවද?

- Have you ever been to New York?
- Have you ever been to Nanjing?
- Have you ever seen Ghost?
- Have you ever believed if there is life after death?

#### 16. Not...until... තුරු එපා.. තුරු නැහැ..

- Do not come out until I tell you
- I will not talk with you until you tell me the truth
- They will not start the project until water is supplied.

#### 17. He is as... වගේම..

- He is as poor as a beggar.
- He is as fit as a fiddle though he is already seventy.
- Shelly's father is always as busy as a bee.

#### 18. either...or...දෙකෙන් කෝක හරි..

- You can choose **either** the red car **or** the blue car."
- **Either** my mother **or** my father will call.
- Rita wants **either** a motorcycle **or** a car for her birthday.

## 19. How about ... කොහොමද?

- How about going for a spin in my new car?
- · How about minding your own business?
- What about your holidays?
- What about his qualifications for the job?

#### 20. How come...? කොහොමද එහෙම වෙන්නේ?

- A: Are you going to your sister's wedding?
- B: I decided not to go.
- A: How come you're not going?

## 21. How dare you...! කොහෙන්ද එච්චර හයියක්?

- How dare you call me fat!
- How dare you speak to me like that!
- How dare you enter my room without my permission!

#### 22. How long does it take...? කොච්චර කාලයක් යනවද?

- How long does it take to get to the station by subway?
- How long will it take to build the stadium?
- How long did it take you to knit this sweater?

#### 23. How often...?කොපමණ වාර ගණනක්ද?

- How often do you wake up in the middle of the night?
- How often is there a blood donation campaign here?
- How often do you visit your parents?

#### 24. l bet... මම එකගයි / ඔට්ටුයි

- I bet we're lost.
- I bet he is home now.
- I bet he will win the prize.

#### 25. I can hardly believe that... මට විශ්වාස කරන්න බැහැ

- I can hardly believe that he is deaf; he can understand us so well.
- I can hardly believe that she is the miss world this time.
- I can hardly believe what I have seen.

#### 26. I can't help... මට නැතුව ඉන්න බැහැ.

- I can't help laughing.
- I couldn't help noticing your ring.
- I can't help remembering how beautiful she looked.

## 27. I can't say...මම දන්නේ නැහැ. Smart way of saying "I don't know"

- I can't say for certain.
- I can't say who did the best.
- I can't say she is in love with you.

## 28. I cannot wait to... මට ඉවසිල්ලක් නැහැ.

- I can't wait to see my family.
- I can't wait to hear from you.
- I can't wait to buy a computer.

#### 29. I dare say...මම එකහෙලා කියනවා..

- I dare say you will succeed in the election.
- I dare say he won't come.
- I dare say he has a gun.

#### 30. I'd like you to... මම කැමතියි..ඔයා

- I would like you to come here.
- I would like her to stay here

## 31. I'd hate for you to... මම කැමති නැහැ ඔයා එහෙම කරනවට = I don't want you

- I'd hate for you to miss the party.
- I'd hate for you to leave our company.
- I'd hate for you to get sick.

- 32. You'd better oඔයා කරන එක හොදයි
  - You better think about this again
  - You better go now
  - You better leave here
- 33. Why don't we?
  - Why don't we marry?
  - Why don't we ask him?
  - Why don't we give it a try?
- 34. I have no idea...මට අදහසක් නැහැ I had no idea දැනගෙන හිටියේ නැහැ
  - I have no idea what is happening here
  - I have no idea how to arrange this party
- 35. I have got to... මට...සිද්ධ වෙනවා = have to/ has to = gotta
  - I have got to do a job = I have to do a job = I gotta do a job
  - I have got to finish this today itself
- 36. Let (Somebody) verb ඉඩදෙන්න
  - Let me go
  - Let her think
  - Let him come
- 37. I'll let you know... ඔයාට කියන්නම
  - I'll let you know when I am hungry.
  - I'll let you know when I am leaving
- 38. Shall we ? අපි කරමුද?
  - Shall we do something?
  - Shall we marry?
- 39. Let`s verb හා අපි කරමු
  - Let's ask him
  - Let's go on a picnic
- 40. NO, let`s not verb බැහැ අපි නොකර ඉමු
  - Let` not tell him
  - Let's not go there
- 41. I am sorry to මට සමාවෙන්න.
  - I am sorry to bother you
  - We are sorry to come here without informing,
- 42. I'm calling to... මම කෝල් කරන්නේ
  - I am calling to invite you to go out with me

- I am calling you to ask you for some money
- 43. I'm willing to මම ආසයි
  - I am willing to come with you.
  - She is willing to spend time at the beach
- 44. I am into මම කැමතියි/ආසයි
  - I am into your sister
  - She is into listening to my songs
- 45. I fancy මම කමැතියි / ආසයි
  - I fancy you
  - I fancy working with you
- 46. I know a thing or two about මම ටිකයි දන්නේ
  - I know a thing or two about her
  - I know a thing or two about computers
- 47. It`s time to සුදුසු වෙලාව
  - It's time to sell your old car.
  - It's time to ask her out
- 49. It's too bad that... කනගාටුයි
  - It's too bad that we lost the match.
  - It's too bad that we have to cancel the get-together.
  - It's too bad that you can't come.
- 50. It's my fault
  - It's my fault we missed the bus
  - It's out fault we lost the match