## LESSON 22

**玲奈** ただいまー、う~超さみい~。

豊 おかえり。今日外はほんと寒そうだね。

**玲奈** はあ $\sim$  部屋あったかい。 何?今日は外にまったく $\stackrel{\circ}{\mathrm{H}}$ てないの?

**玲奈** ずるい~。私なんかスカートだったから超足が冷たかったんだけど。

豊 じゃあ、スカート履かなきゃいいじゃん。

**玲奈** だって履きたかったんだからしょうがないじゃん。 豊は 今日は何してたの?

豊 まあ、映画観たり、雑誌読んだりしてダラダラしてた。こう寒いんじゃ、外に出る気が起きないよね。もうこのまま冬眠してしまいたい。

**玲奈** ねえ、たまには外に遊びにも行こうよ~。

豊 ええ、だって外に出たってお金かかるだけだし、寒いし、 めんどいじゃん。俺はどこよりも落ち着くこの部屋で有意義な 時間を過ごしたいんだよ。お前も家でのんびりしてるの好きだ ろ?

**玲奈** そうだけど…。最近いつも家でまったりしてるだけだからたまには外にも出たいかなって。

豊とりあえずゲームやりたいんだよね。

**玲奈** またゲーム…じゃあ、勝負しようよ。

豊 勝負?

**玲奈** そう。私が勝ったら今日の夕飯は外で食べる。豊が勝ったら一日うちでゆっくりしよ。

豊 なんかあんまり俺にメリットない気がするけどまあいい よ。勝負で決めよう。

**玲奈** ちなみに夕飯はおごってもらうからね。

豊 えぇ、マックとかでいい?

**玲奈** ダメ!ちゃんとしたところ連れてってもらうんだから。

超 super, very, so さみい=さむい freezing, cold ほんと=ほんとう really あったかい=あたたかい bot warm

まったく~ない not...at all

暖房の効いた well heated ぬくぬくする be cozy in a warm place

スカートを履く wear a skirt

ダラダラする laze around muck around, waste time 冬眠する hibernate

たまには once in a while

めんどい=めんどくさい bothersome, troublesome 落ち着く comfortable 有意義な meaningful のんびりする take it easy, relax

まったりする take it easy, relax

とりあえず for the time being; for the present 勝負する compete

夕飯 dinner

ゆっくりする take it easy, relax

メリット merit, advantage

ちなみに by the way おごってもらう be treated マック= Mc McDonald's ちゃんとした proper Rena I'm home. Ooo, it's freezing.

Yutaka Hi. It really looks cold outside today, doesn't it?

**Rena** Oh, it's warm inside. What? Haven't you been out at all today?

**Yutaka** Not even a step. I've been cozy in a heated room all day.

**Rena** That's not fair. I was wearing a skirt and my legs were so cold.

Yutaka Then, don't wear one.

**Rena** But I wanted to. I couldn't help it. Yutaka, what have you done today?

Yutaka Well, I watched a movie, read magazines, and took it easy. When it's this cold, I don't feel like going out. I wanna hibernate.

Rena Hey, let's get out once in a while.

Yutaka Gee, if we get out, we only spend money, it's cold, and bothersome. There's no other comfortable room than this, and I wanna stay right here and have a meaningful time. You like to relax at home, too, don't you?

Rena Well, yes.... These days you always just take it easy at home. I wondered if you wanted to go out sometimes.

Yutaka For now, I wanna play a game.

Rena A game again... (angry) Then, let's compete.

Yutaka Compete?

place!

Rena Yes. If I win, we'll eat out for dinner. If you win, we can relax at home all day.

Yutaka It doesn't sound like I will get much reward, but it's OK. Let's have the game decide.

Rena By the way, dinner will be on you.

Yutaka What? Is MacDonald's alright?

Rena No! You must take me to a proper

## [POINT]

「ダメ男 / ダメな彼氏」のイメージ Characteristics of a loser or failure boyfriend

Yutaka in this episode reflects the typical characteristics of a " ダメ男 / ダメな彼氏(loser/ failure boyfriend)" which Japanese people have. The typical features are below.

- Stay at home, rarely going out
- · Waste a whole day without desire for improvement
- · Addicted to games
- Takes a girl on a date to a cheap fast food restaurant. Basically stingy.

Ladies will eventually leave such a man, won't they? What type of man would you imagine for a "loser" in your country?