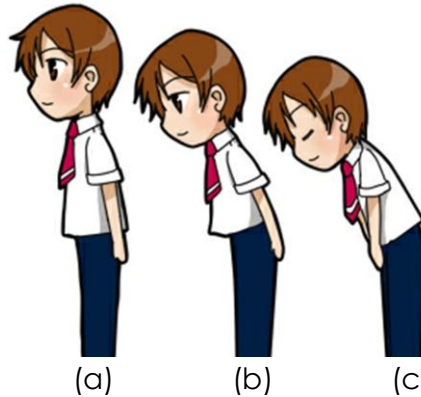


Formal Self Introductions



There are levels of politeness when you introduce yourself to someone new. This is the same in English. For example, would you say “G’ day mate” when meeting a prospective employer? It is always better to be overly polite, so perhaps, “pleased to meet you” would be more appropriate.

Bowing correctly is important. How you bow to who depends on the time, and occasion and most importantly, your social hierarchical relationship to that person.



- (a) Casual
- (b) Semi-Formal
- (c) Very Formal

Advanced Self Introductions

はじめまして、 NAME	もう と 申します。	+
	もう と 申します。	
	い と 言います。	
	です。	

どうぞ よろしく おねがいいたします	Extremely formal
どうぞ よろしく おねがいします	Very formal / polite
どうぞ よろしく	Formal / polite
よろしく	Polite / Standard

** はじめまして and どうぞよろしく are set phrases which mean “How do you do? / Nice to meet you”

Examples:

はじめまして、由美子と申します。どうぞよろしくおねがいします。
How do you do, my name is Yumiko. Nice to meet you.



Activity 2 Speaking Task: かいわ 会話カード

You are to take a card from the かいわ 会話カード bucket. Then, you are to ask the person next to you, the question on the card and sustain a conversation for 2 minutes. Then, switch turns to converse about Person B's question. Example: しゅうまつ 週末に何をしましたか。Your teacher will let you know when time is up. Until then, you are not allowed to speak English.