

Pattern #7 – Quiz: I could never ~~~

1)

田舎には絶対に住めない。退屈しちゃう！ --;; 活気があって刺激的な都会の環境が必要なのだ。

2)

自営業なんて絶対に無理よ。仕事が多すぎるし、成功する保証もないし。毎月安定した給料が保証される会社勤めの方が好きだね。

3)

大事な人と人生を分かち合いたい。一生独身なんて無理だわ。すごく寂しくなるでしょう。

4)

美保：最近、動物の権利やベジタリアンについていろいろ学んでいるの。どう思う？ベジタリアンになれると思う？

健二：僕？どうかな。動物の権利は強く賛成するんだけど、とにかく肉を食べるのが大好きでね。お肉を食べるのは絶対にやめられない。君はどう？

美保：試してみようかと真剣に考えている。卵、牛乳、ハチミツといった動物性食品を全部やめるのは無理。でも、肉はいつかはやめられると思う。食品業界に虐待されている動物たちのことを思うと、本当に心が痛むの。動物虐待を許すなんて絶対にできない。健二君はこの問題が悲しいと思わない？

健二：いや、もちろん悲しいよ。でも、僕の家族には貧血が多いので、鉄分レベルを維持するためにお肉を食べないといけないよ。で、お魚もやめようと思っているの？

美保：いや、魚をやめるなんて有り得ない。それに、魚は肉より健康的だし。

健二：じゃあ、魚を殺して食べるのは悲しくないわけ？魚にも感情があるんだよ。^^;;

Pattern #7 – Quiz Answers: I could never ~ ~ ~

1)

I could never live in the countryside. I would be so bored! - -;; I need a fast-paced, exciting urban environment.

2)

I could never be self-employed. It's too much work, and there's no guarantee of success. I prefer working at a company because I can receive a stable and guaranteed salary every month.

3)

I really need to share my life with someone special. *I could never be single for the rest of my life.* I'd be so lonely.

4)

Miho: I've been learning a lot about animal-rights and vegetarianism these days. What do you think? Do you think you could ever become a vegetarian?

Kenji: Me? I doubt it. I feel strongly about animal-rights, but I just love eating meat so much. *I could never give up eating meat.* How about you?

Miho: I'm seriously considering trying it out. *I could never give up eating all animal-products such as eggs, milk, and honey.* But I think I could eventually give up eating meat. I feel so bad for all those poor animals being abused by the food-industry. *I could never support cruelty toward animals.* Doesn't it make you sad?

Kenji: Well, sure, it does. But anemia runs in my family, so I need to eat meat to maintain my iron-level. So, you're thinking of giving up eating fish as well?

Miho: No, not fish. *I could never stop eating fish.* Besides, fish is healthier than meat.

Kenji: So, you don't feel sad about killing and eating fish? Fish have feelings too, you know. ^^;;