

Lesson 55: 話題の転換:さまざまなつなぎ言葉

Having said that

I'm not a big fan of horror movies. **Having said that**, I really enjoyed *The Shining*.

He's usually very lazy. **Having said that**, he worked really hard last week.

The hotel wasn't very clean. **Having said that**, the staff were extremely helpful and friendly.

Online learning can be convenient. **Having said that**, it requires a lot of self-discipline.

anyway/ in any case/ at any rate

It might not work, but we have to try **anyway**.

I'm not sure what she meant. **Anyway**, let's not worry about it too much.

We may not agree on everything. **In any case**, we need to decide soon.

I'm not sure if she'll accept the offer. **In any case**, we should be prepared for her decision.

He may not be the best candidate. **At any rate**, he's better than the last one.

We might not finish the project by Friday. **At any rate**, we need to make significant progress this week.

idiom

a dime a dozen

Meaning: Very common and not special or valuable.

Example: Empty promises are **a dime a dozen**; I need to see real action.

Good ideas are **a dime a dozen**, but turning them into reality takes effort.

Lesson 56: 情報の出どころ明確化

according to

According to my teacher, this book is very useful for the exam.

According to many experts, sleep is just as important as diet and exercise.

According to the manual, you should not touch this part.

The grades were calculated **according to** the new system.

From my point of view/perspective

From my point of view, the city should invest more in public transportation to reduce traffic congestion and pollution.

From my perspective, investing in employee training programs will lead to improved customer service and increased sales over time.

From my perspective, allowing students to choose their own research topics fosters creativity and motivation.