

## VIP Welcome POV Text

Hello, it's A.J. and welcome to the point of view story lesson for this first VIP lesson set. Are you ready?

So same story, but we're going to change some of the grammar a little bit, change the point-of-view and let's see what happens to some of the words in the grammar. Now when you listen to this do not try to think of grammar rules. No, no, no, just listen to the story and enjoy it. The only thing I want you to focus on is how the words change and also some of the little time phrases that I use.

For example, I might say since 2000, since the year 2000 or next year. When I use those time phrases it tells you that something is changing. The point of view is changing; therefore, the words will change some, especially the verbs. That's all you need to notice and think about. Do not think about grammar rules, okay? Let's get started with the first one.

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Since the year 2000 Brad Pitt has been a super successful, super rich and super handsome man. Now since that time he has also been very, very unhappy.

Now who has been unhappy since 2000?

Brad Pitt. Brad Pitt has been very, very unhappy since the year 2000.

Since when?

Well, since the year 2000, until recently, he has been super rich, super successful, super handsome, yes, but also he has been very unhappy. In fact, he has been miserable.

Now since 2000, how has Tomoe felt?

Well, fine. She has felt fine. She has been very happy since 2000, until recently. In fact, all of her life she has been happy, since she was a little baby until now, in fact, but Brad Pitt has been unhappy.

So one day Brad Pitt thought, well, I have been so unhappy since 2000, maybe I need to change. And then he thought, well, in 2000, in the year 2000, I moved to L.A.



What did he do in 2000?

He moved to L.A. from New York City.

So what did he do then?

He moved to L.A.

And then he thought and I have been unhappy since I moved, since I moved until recently, hum.

When did he begin to be unhappy?

Well, he began to be miserable in the year 2000.

What did he do in the year 2000?

Well, he moved to L.A.

So he thought, hum, I have been unhappy since I moved to L.A., so maybe I need to leave L.A. then I'll be happy.

So where did he go?

That's right. So then he went to Nepal, because it was beautiful and colorful and had big, great, wonderful mountains and Tomoe decided, well, I'm very happy, but I want to go on vacation. She wanted to go on vacation, so she decided to go to Vancouver.

So Brad Pitt flew to Nepal. Tomoe flew to Vancouver. And Brad Pitt went through Customs and Immigration in Nepal in the airport in Katmandu and Tomoe went through Customs and Immigration in Vancouver in the Vancouver Airport.

But then there was a problem, Brad Pitt felt miserable. He still felt miserable. He had felt miserable when he lived in L.A., but then he continued to feel miserable in Nepal. Oh, no, poor Brad!

Now did Tomoe continue to be happy in Vancouver?

Yes, she did. She had felt happy in Japan and she continued to feel happy, in fact she felt ecstatic in Vancouver, very, very, very happy and excited.



So Brad Pitt still had a problem and then he suddenly realized something. Ah! Maybe the reason I'm unhappy is because I'm selfish. Maybe if I focus on helping other people, on contributing, maybe I'll become happier. And so he decided to go back to L.A. He returned to L.A.

Where did Tomoe return to?

Well, first she went to a spa, got a massage and relaxed, had a nice vacation then she returned to Japan and she continued to feel happy.

Brad Pitt returned to L.A. and he decided to help homeless people. In fact, one day he went to the poorest neighborhood of L.A. and he gave away money, hundreds of dollars then thousands of dollars. He felt happier and happier each time he gave away money and contributed to these poor homeless people. And so then he decided this is the secret, contribution.

And what did he do next?

He started to buy apartments and houses for homeless people and he felt wonderful. Now back in Japan Tomoe continued to feel happy and wonderful, because she was always contributing to other people anyway.

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And so that's the end of our story. Brad Pitt became very, very happy and he's still happy now, because now he is contributing to other people. And Tomoe continued to feel happy, because she was always contributing to other people.

And that's our first point of view or POV story.

Now our next one goes to the future. Just imagine. Maybe we're dreaming this. Maybe we're imagining it. Maybe we can see the future somehow and we know that next year there will be a guy named Brad Pitt, of course, we know Brad Pitt and he's still going to be rich, successful and handsome.

He's still gonna' be...remember, "gonna', gonna'". Gonna' means going to, it's future. In casual, normal speaking we usually say gonna'. So he's gonna' still be rich, successful and super handsome next year, but he's also gonna' be unhappy. He's gonna' be miserable. Right now he's not very happy, but next year he's going to be miserable, totally, totally unhappy and Tomoe is gonna' still be happy and she's gonna' be in Japan.



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So he's going to think about this and he'll decide – he will decide – "he'll". Hear that "el" sound? Sometimes it's hard to hear, but listen for it – "el, el". He'll decide that the reason he's unhappy is because he lives in L.A. So he'll decide I'm unhappy because I live in L.A., so if I go to another country with beautiful mountains, colorful, interesting country then I'll be happy. So he decides to go to Nepal. And, in fact, he buys a plane ticket and he flies to Nepal.

And you can hear sometimes when we talk about the future, we know we're talking about the future, sometimes we can say flies, goes. Sometimes we don't need "gonna" or "el" or "will".

Now Tomoe will also decide to do something. She'll decide to go on vacation. She'll be happy still, but she'll decide to go on vacation, so she buys a ticket and she goes to Vancouver. Next year this happens.

So next year Brad Pitt is going to arrive in Katmandu, Nepal and of course he'll go through Customs and Immigration in Katmandu and he'll get into the city and he'll see beautiful mountains outside the city. It will be a colorful place. He'll think it's very interesting and yet he'll still be miserable.

Now Tomoe, she'll arrive in Vancouver. She'll go through Customs and Immigration. And not only will she be happy still, she'll be ecstatic, excited and super happy and she'll go to her hotel and feel great.

So Brad Pitt is still going to feel miserable. He'll still feel miserable. And then finally he'll realize something in the future. He'll realize, wow, maybe I'm unhappy because I'm selfish. Maybe if I help other people, if I contribute to other people, maybe then I'll feel happy. And he'll decide to return to L.A. and contribute to other people and help other people.

Now Tomoe, she'll just enjoy the spa and get a massage and have a great time in Vancouver. And then she'll return to Japan after her vacation and she'll continue to help and contribute to other people.

Brad Pitt will return to L.A., he'll go to the poorest neighborhood in L.A. and he'll give away money. First he'll give away hundreds of dollars then thousands of dollars. Finally he'll buy apartments and houses for homeless people and he'll feel fantastic. He's gonna' feel great because of this.

Why is he going to feel great?



Because he finally decides to help other people. He finally decides to contribute to other people. And Tomoe continues to be happy because, of course, she continues to help and contribute to other people.

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And that is the end of that mini-story in the future. Now let's do one more. Let's imagine it's happening right now, right now.

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So Brad Pitt, of course, we know right now. Everybody knows he's famous. Brad Pitt is a rich, successful, handsome guy, but Brad Pitt has a problem. He's very unhappy. In fact, Brad Pitt is miserable.

Now is Tomoe miserable?

No, over in Japan Tomoe is very happy. She's always helping people. She's always contributing to other people, but Brad Pitt is miserable.

So Brad Pitt, he thinks about it and he thinks maybe I'm unhappy because I live in L.A. and he decides to go to Nepal, because it has beautiful mountains, it's colorful, it's interesting. So he buys a plane ticket, goes to the airport and he flies to Nepal.

Tomoe, she's always helping people, but she's a little tired, she decides to go on a vacation. She buys a plane ticket, she flies to Vancouver. In Nepal Brad Pitt goes through Immigration and Customs and he goes into Katmandu. He sees all the beautiful mountains in the distance. It's a very colorful and interesting city.

Tomoe goes to her hotel in Vancouver. She relaxes. She goes to a spa. She gets a massage. She feels ecstatic. She feels super happy. She's having a great time on her vacation, but Brad Pitt is still not happy in Nepal. He still feels miserable. And then he thinks, maybe I'm miserable and depressed because I'm selfish because I don't help anyone. I don't contribute to anyone. And he suddenly decides this is the answer. So he buys another plane ticket and he flies back to L.A. and he decides he's going to help homeless people.

And Tomoe flies back to Japan after her vacation. She returns and she continues to help people, continues to contribute, continues to be happy.

Brad Pitt goes to the poorest neighborhood of L.A. and he gives away hundreds of dollars then thousands of dollars and he feels so good. So he decides I'm going to buy

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apartments and houses for homeless people and he does. Every time he does it he feels happier and happier and he finally realizes the secret to happiness or one of the secrets is to contribute to other people and help other people.

And he feels great. He still feels great right now. And Tomoe, of course, continues feeling great, too.

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And that is the end of that mini-story point of view and that is the end of all our point of view lessons for this first set of VIP lessons.

So listen to this one every day. Listen to the mini-story every day. This is where the power is for improving your English speaking, for being more confident when you speak English, especially to having that automatic, quick speaking.

Even if the vocabulary is new in these stories or even if the vocabulary is old and you know it all, you still need to repeat, repeat, repeat, because the grammar, the phrases, the pronunciation, the rhythm, all of that will go deeper and deeper in your head and you will speak more naturally and easily and quickly. And, most importantly, you will feel more and more confident with English, understanding it, using it, speaking it.

As always, shoulders back, big smile, chin up. You gotta' make your body feel strong and confident every time you hear English, listen to English and use English.

Okay, I'll see you next time. Remember, every single day listen to this. See you again, bye-bye.