

Regular Chat Room
October 1st and 3rd, 2024

Theme: Home Improvement (住まいの改善)

Self-introductions for new participants:

- What is your name?
- Where are you from?
- What do/did you do for work (job title, raised children, etc.)?
- What do you like to do for fun?

Questions:

1. What makes a house into a home?
2. What do you like about your home? What don't you like?
3. How have you changed your home since you've started living there?
 - a. Have you added or subtracted rooms?
 - b. Have you added or subtracted storage space?
 - c. Have you changed the light fixtures, flooring, or furniture?
 - d. Have you painted any walls, ceilings, or doors?
 - e. Have you changed the way you organize your home?
 - f. Have you made your home more energy efficient?
 - g. Have you made any changes to your yard or fields?
4. Why did you make the change you described above?
5. What changes would you like to make to your home in the future?
 - a. If money was no object, what changes would you make to your home?
6. What have you fixed in your home recently?
7. When something breaks in your home, do you try to fix it yourself or call a professional?
 - a. What DIY projects have you done recently?
 - b. Who fixes things in your house?
 - c. Who breaks things in your house most often?
8. Where do you get home improvement ideas from?
9. Where do you buy home improvement items?
10. Who cleans your house?
 - a. How often do you clean your house?
 - b. Do you enjoy cleaning? Why?
 - c. What is your process for cleaning?