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では、始めます。

Scott : You are going to be a college student in Tokyo next month, Mika. Are you excited?

Mika : Yes, very much. I'll miss my family and local friends, but it won't be a big problem.

Scott : I see. I'm sure you will make new friends soon and find new things to do there.

Mika : I hope so.

Scott : Have you decided where to live?

Mika : Yes. I've already chosen an apartment near my college. It's expensive, but I don't want to get on a crowded train every day, and my parents agree with me.

Scott : You know, I worked at a school in Tokyo before coming here. In those days I went to work by train. It took one and a half hours, and my train was always so crowded that I was tired before I started work.

Mika : I'm going to college by bike instead of taking a train or a bus. It's just about a ten minute ride. When it rains, I'll walk. It takes twenty-five minutes, but it's not so bad for me.

Scott : That's good. By the way, when I was a college student, I didn't cook at all. I ate lunch at the cafeteria in college, and I bought my breakfast and dinner at some convenience stores or fast food restaurants almost every day. I know it was not so healthy. Actually, I gained some weight during my college days.

Mika : Eating is one of the things my parents are most worried about. But the cafeteria in my college always opens at 7 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m., so I think I can eat every meal there at a very low price. I hear they serve a lot of healthy and low-calorie food.

Scott : Sounds like you aren't worried about anything in your college life.

Mika : That's not true. There's one thing I'm worried about.

Scott : What is that?

Mika : Well, I'd like to study abroad as an exchange student while I'm in college, but to do so, I need to pass a very difficult exam. More than one hundred students take the exam every year and only ten students pass it.

Scott : Wow, that's really hard, isn't it? But studying in a foreign country is sure to be a great experience for you. When I first came to Japan, I was an exchange student. That experience made me more interested in Japan. And now I have a job in Japan.

Mika : I want to experience new things and learn about foreign cultures. But I also want to learn how foreign people feel about Japan. I believe that's the first step for us to understand people from different countries.

Scott : You have a great idea for your future. Good luck on your college life in Tokyo. Study hard and I hope you'll pass the exam.

Mika : Thank you very much.

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これで、聞き取り問題の放送を終了します。このままこの問題の解答を続けても、次の問題に進んでも構いません。