

**Burger
time!**

～てから (Te-kara)

THE STRICT SEQUENCE

**Not yet!
Sequence
matters!**



LOOSE CONNECTION (AND)



STRICT SEQUENCE (AFTER)



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Te-kara locks the order.
Action A must be 100% complete before B starts.

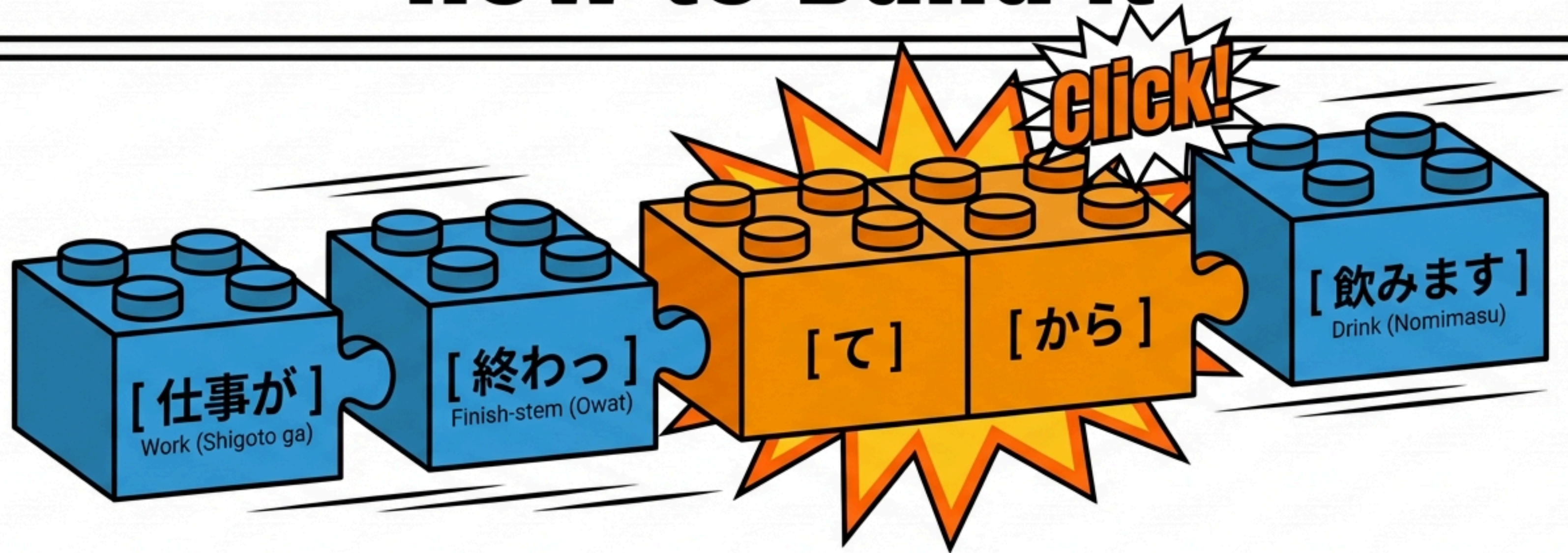
CROSS THE LINE!



Action B can only start after breaking the tape.

Action A (Running) → [TE-KARA] → Action B (Next Event)

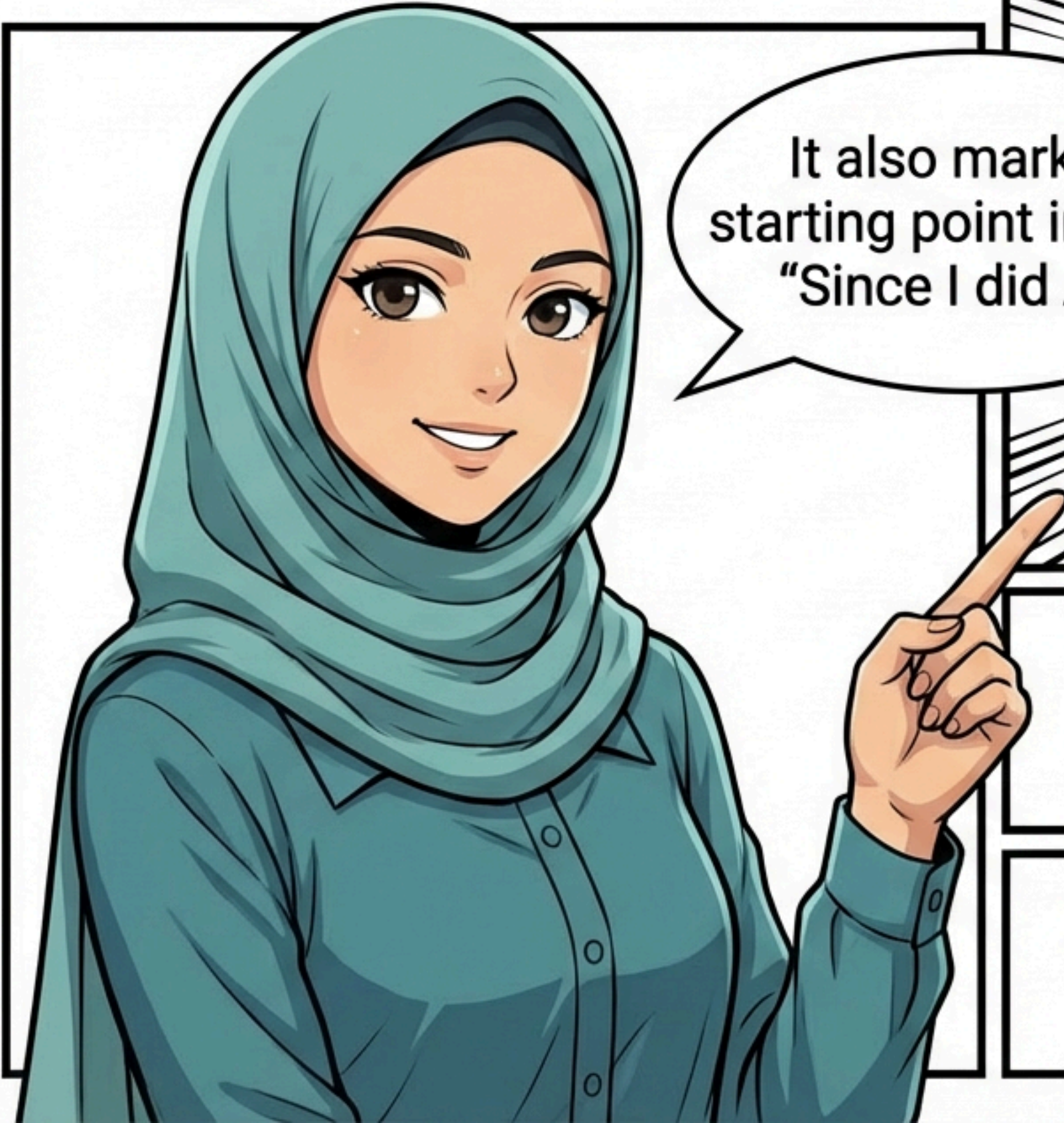
How to Build It



仕事が終わってから飲みます。

I drink after work finishes.

Raya's Hack



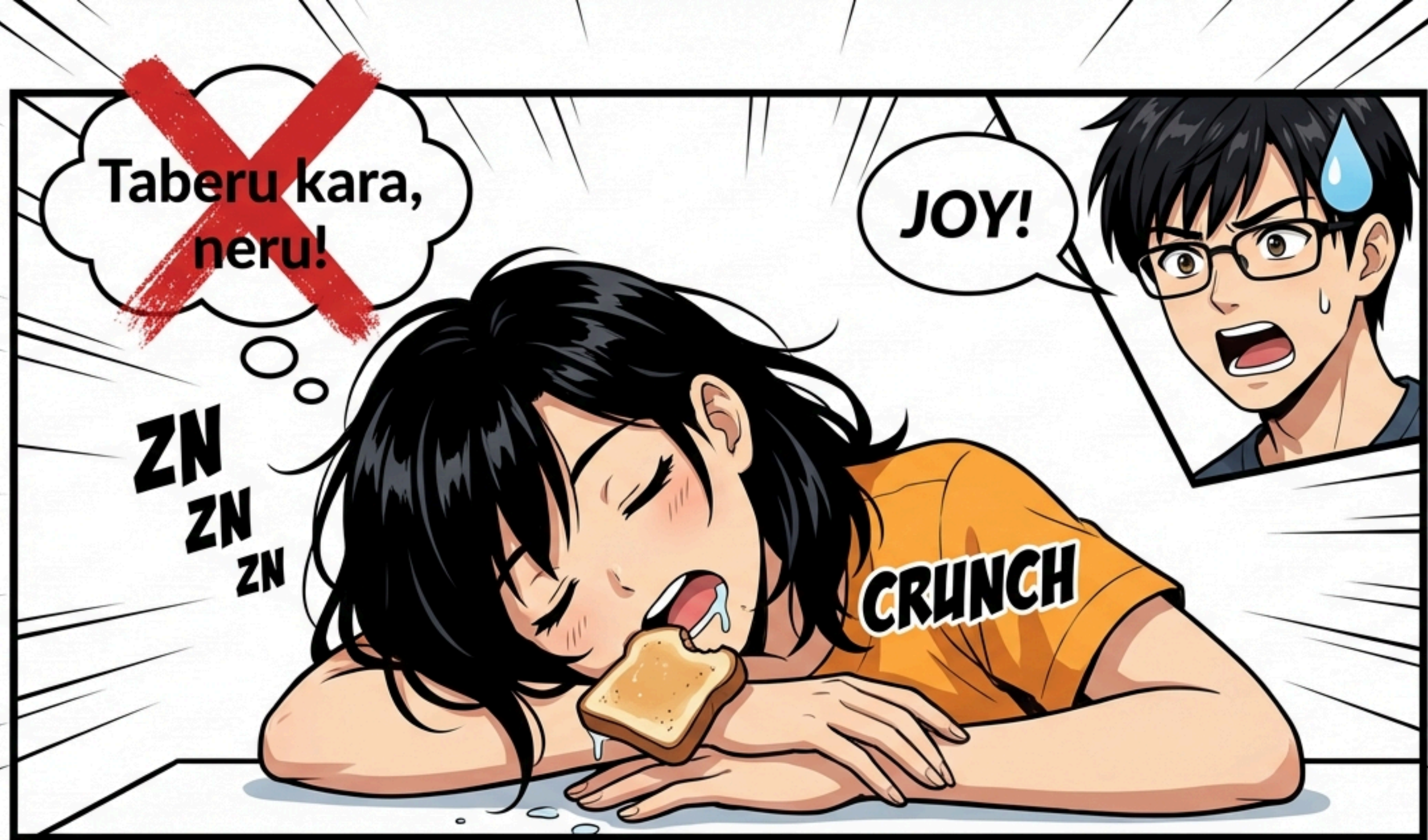
It also marks a starting point in time!
"Since I did A..."



Arrival
in Japan

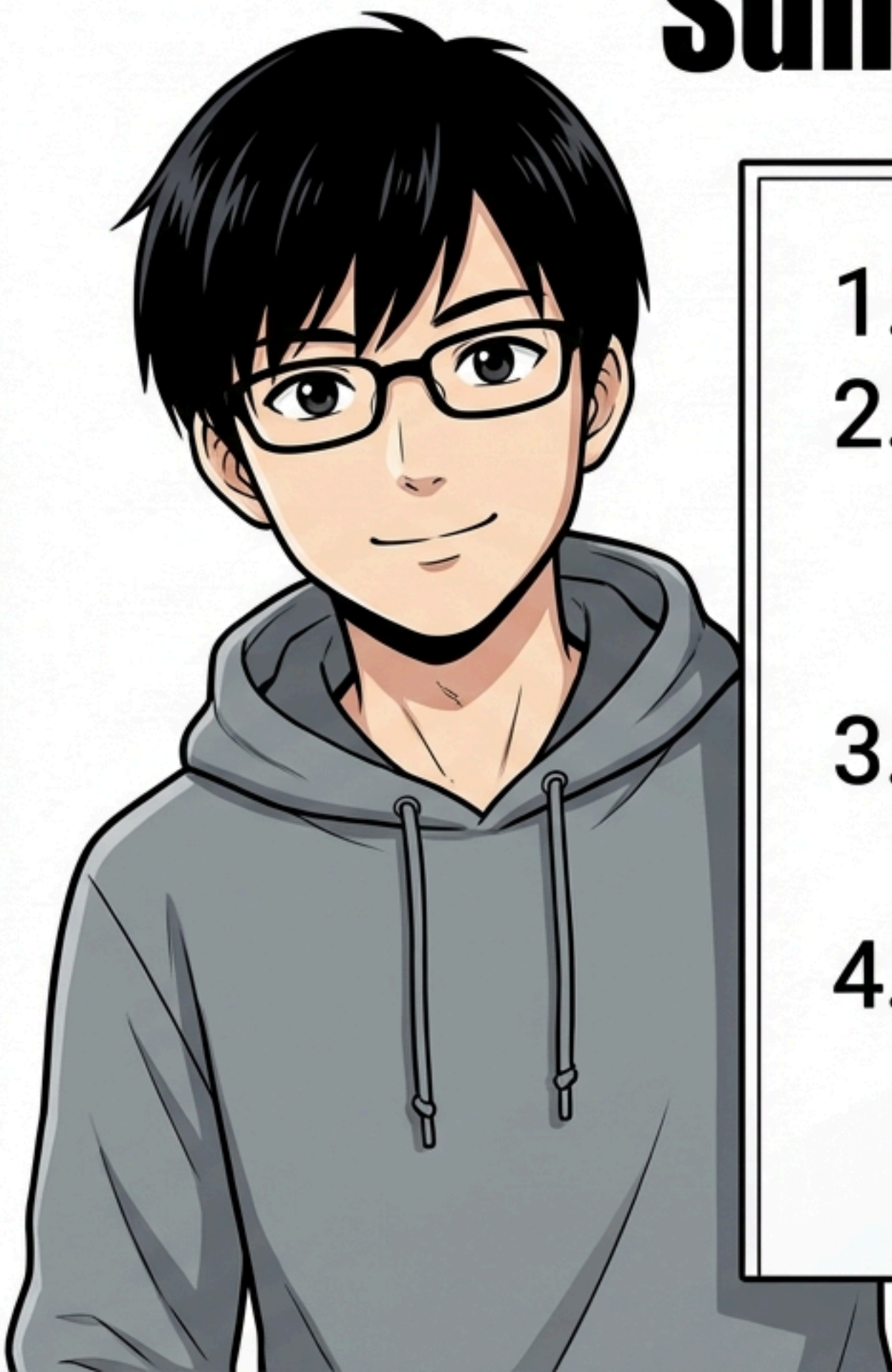
Nihon ni ki te kara...
(Ever since I came to Japan...)

Insight: Use this to describe a state that started in the past and continues now.



- ✗ Dictionary + Kara = BECAUSE! ("Because I eat, I sleep")
- ✓ Tabe te kara = AFTER eating! ("After I eat, I sleep")

Summary: ~てから



1. Structure: [Verb Te-form] + kara
2. Meaning 1: Strict Sequence
(After doing A, I do B).
 - Ex: Wash hands → Eat.
3. Meaning 2: Since (Time duration).
 - Ex: Since coming to Japan...
4. Warning: Don't use Dictionary form
(that means 'Because')!