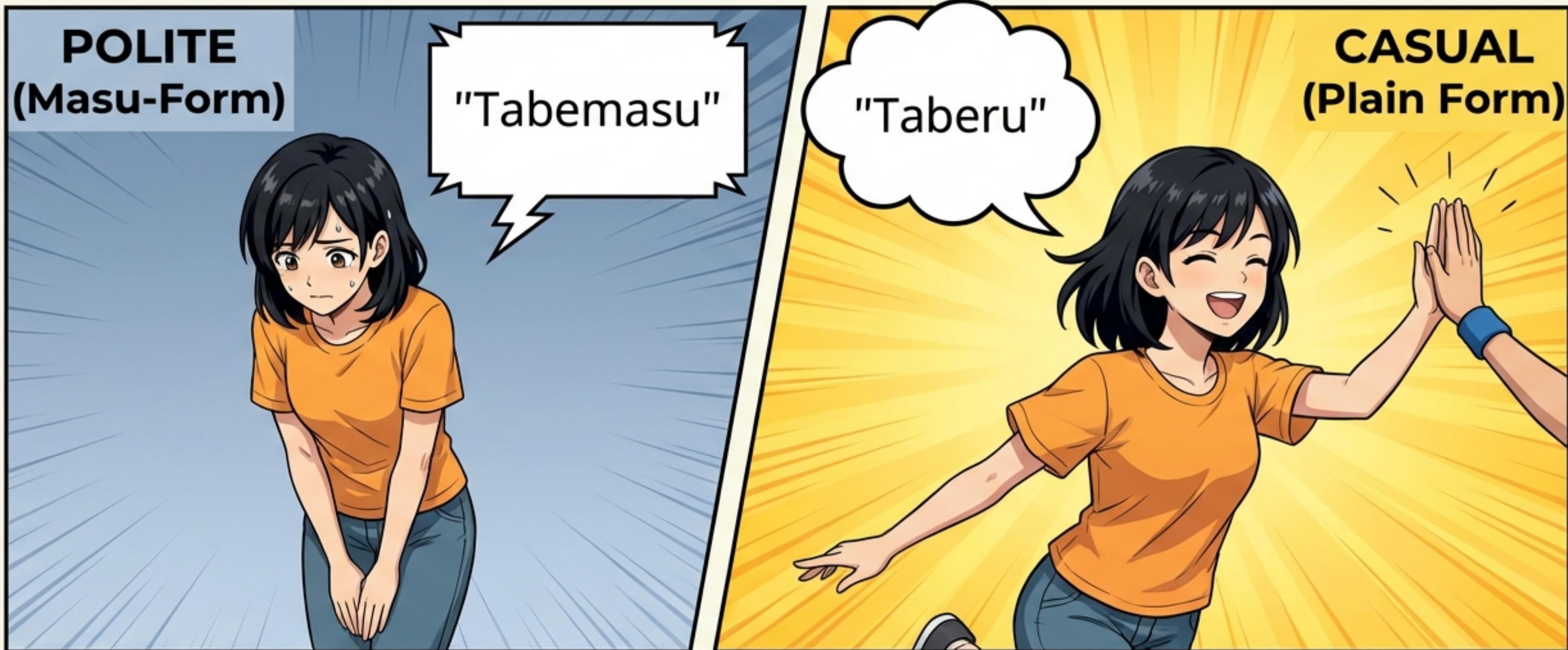


Plain Present Form (辞書形)

Taking off the “Masu” Suit (スーツを脱ぐ)



Friends don't use 'Masu'!



Mentor's Note

Ken says: "Until now, we used Masu-form to be safe. But if you use Masu with **close friends**, it sounds **cold!** To be friendly, we use the **Plain Form** (Dictionary Form)."

The form found in the Dictionary

Tabemasu → Taberu

Ikimasu → Iku

Nomimasu → Nomu

Taberu
Iku
Nomu



The 'Plain Present Form' is exactly the same as the 'Dictionary Form'. It is the most basic version of the verb.

Sentence Assembly



Ashita Tokyo e iku.
明日 東京へ 行く。



Raya's Hack: Raise your voice for questions!

いく?

(Are you going?)

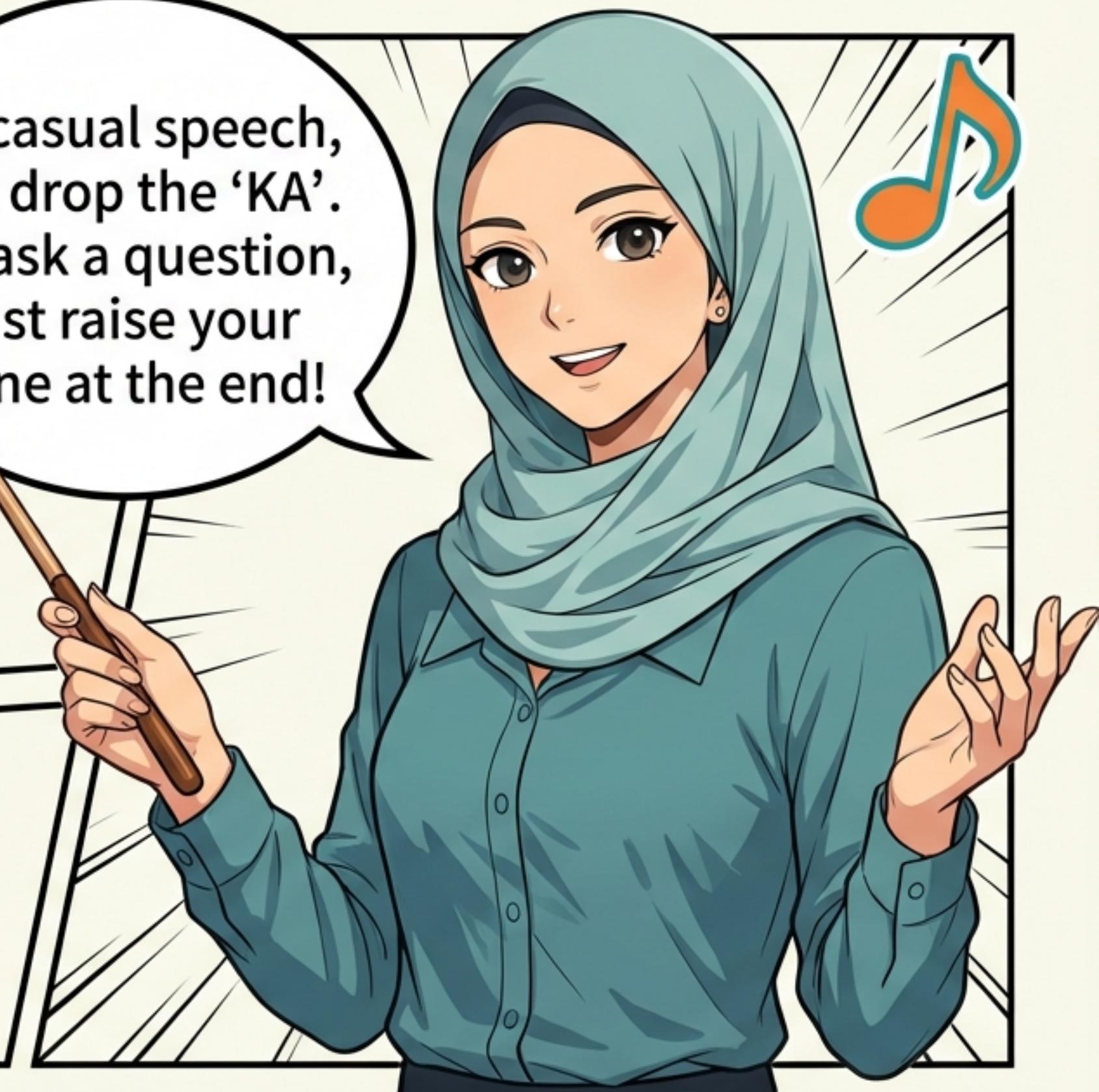
Iku.

(I'm going.)

Nomimasu ka? → Nomu? 

Tabemasu ka? → Taberu? 

In casual speech,
we drop the 'KA'.
To ask a question,
just raise your
tone at the end!

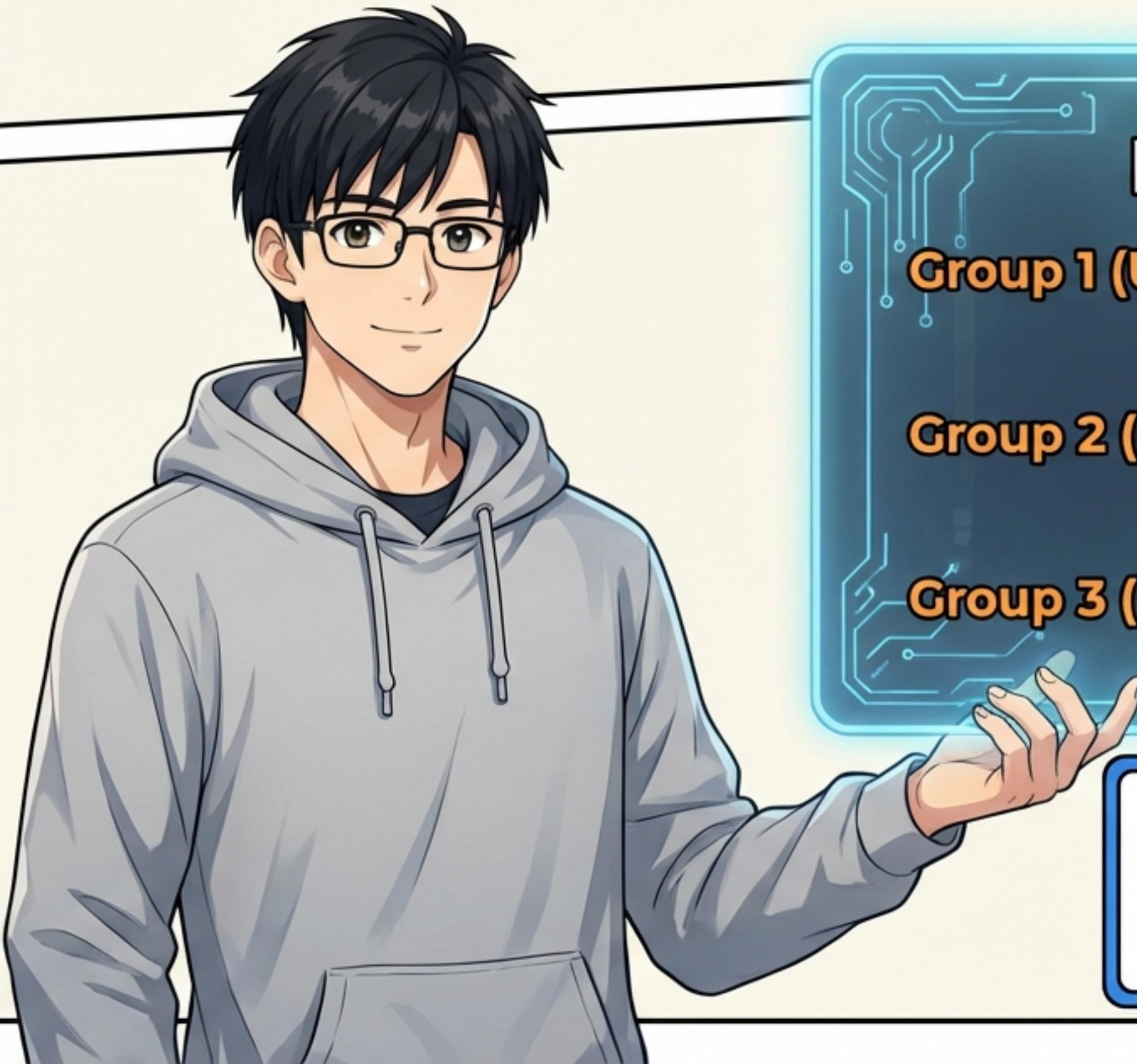


The Warning: Don't do this!

Social Consequence of Plain Form



Summary & Cheat Sheet



Plain Form Rules

Group 1 (U-verbs): Iki-masu → Iku
Nomi-masu → Nomu

Group 2 (Ru-verbs): Tabe-masu → Taberu
Mi-masu → Miru

Group 3 (Irregular): Shi-masu → Suru
Ki-masu → Kuru

USAGE CHEAT SHEET:

- Casual Speech (Friends/Family)
- Writing / Journals
- Grammar Structures