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I wonder... The Floating Question Mark



Talking to Yourself



'Ka' demands an answer. 'Kana' is a monologue—you are wondering or asking softly.

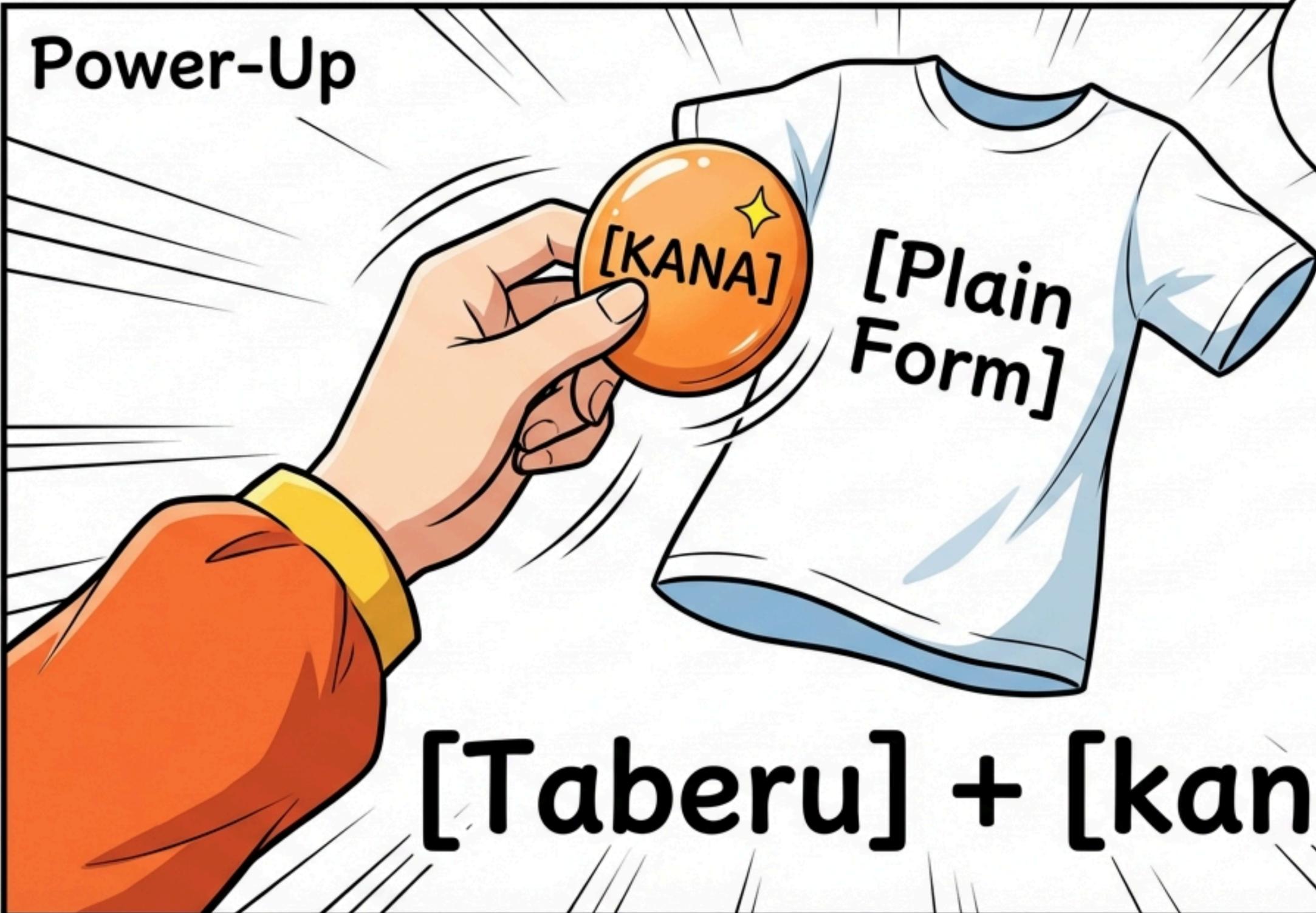
Plain Form + Kana

Raya



'Kana' is casual.
It attaches to the
Casual (Plain) Form.

Power-Up



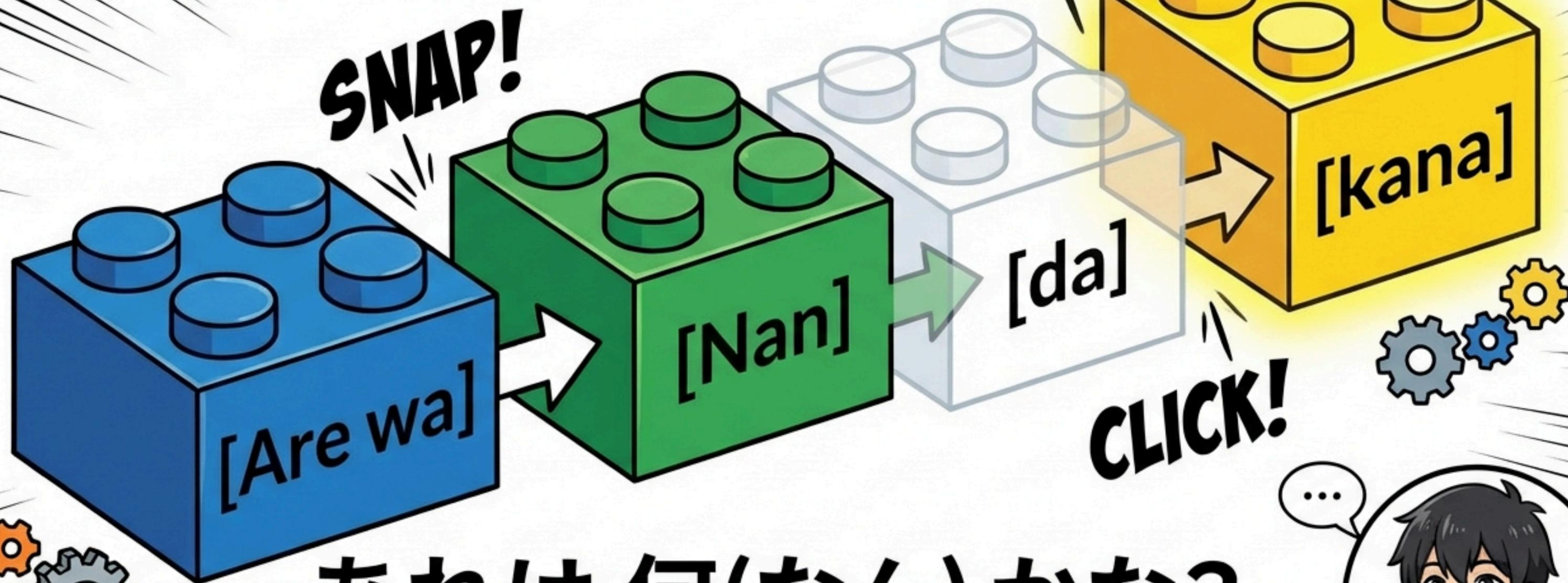
Examples

Taberu kana?
(I wonder if I'll eat?)

Oishii kana?
(I wonder if it's tasty?)

Genki kana?
(I wonder if he is well?)

Building the Sentence



あれは何(なん)かな?

(I wonder what that is?)



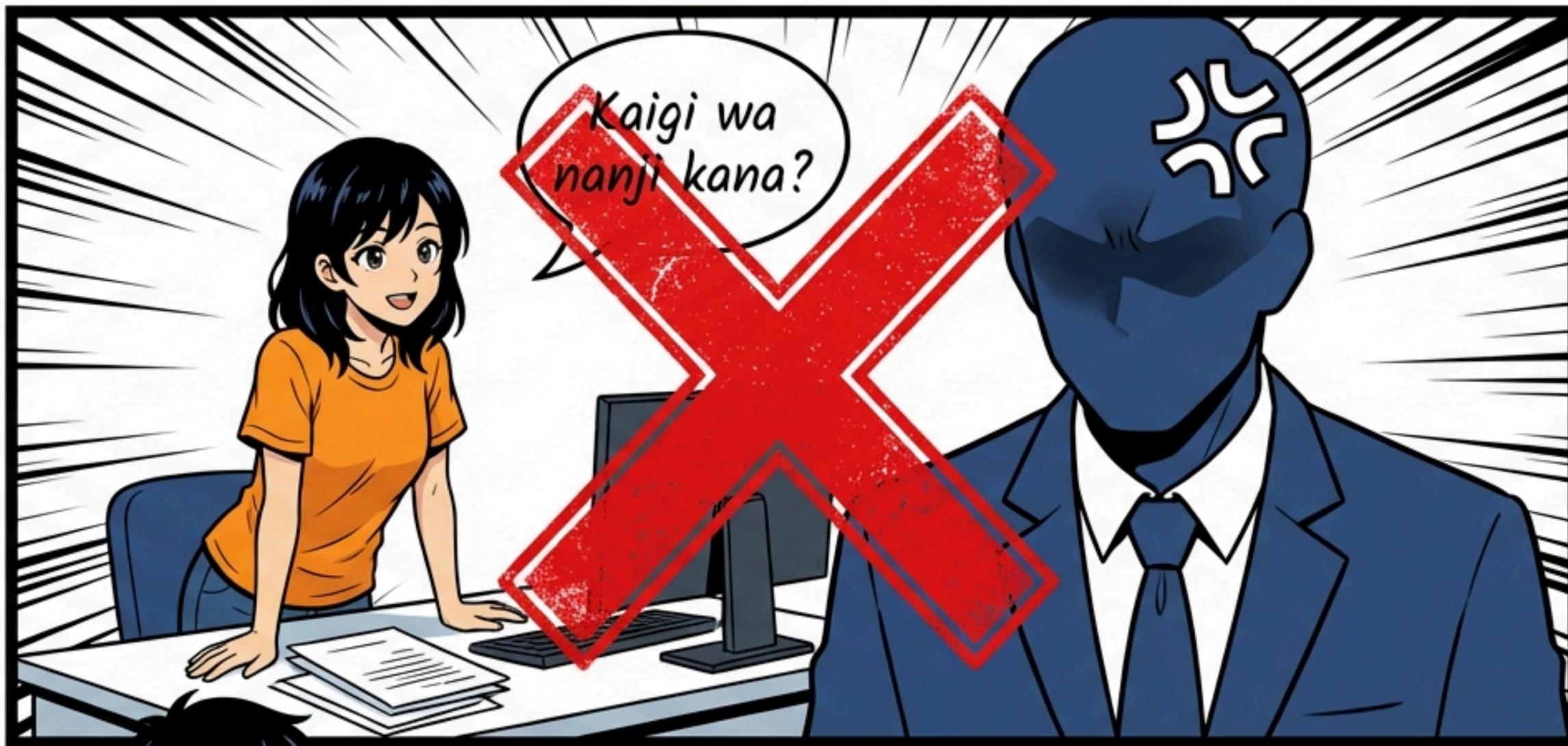
Raya's Hack



**Use it to
soften a
request!**

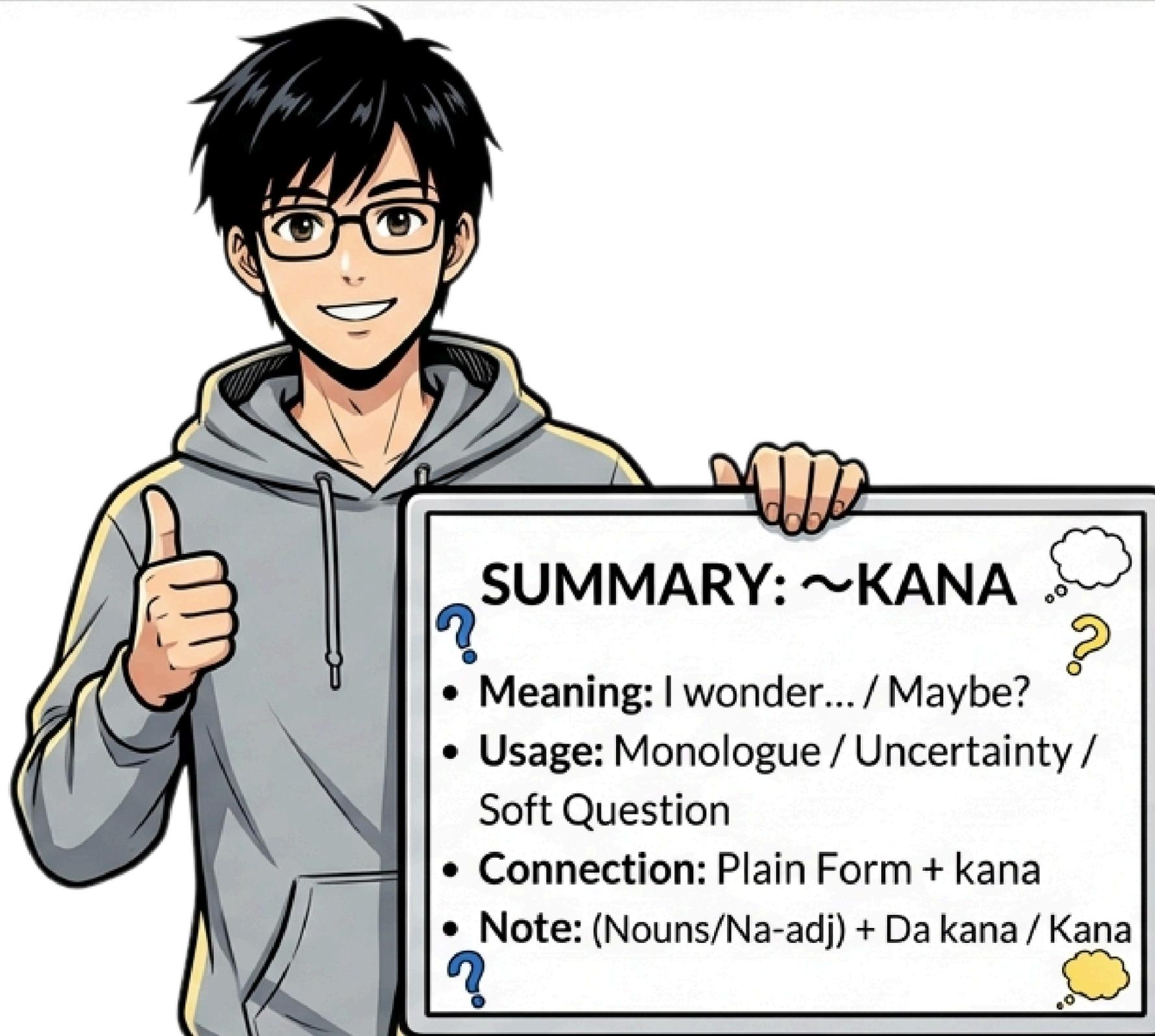
- **Hard:** li desu ka?
(Is it okay?)
- **Soft:** li kana?
(I wonder if it's okay?)
- **Result:** Less pushy,
more humble.

Don't do this!



Too casual! Don't use 'Kana' with your boss! It sounds like you're ignoring them. Use 'Nanji deshou ka' instead.

Cheat Sheet



SUMMARY: ~KANA

- **Meaning:** I wonder... / Maybe?
- **Usage:** Monologue / Uncertainty / Soft Question
- **Connection:** Plain Form + kana
- **Note:** (Nouns/Na-adj) + Da kana / Kana