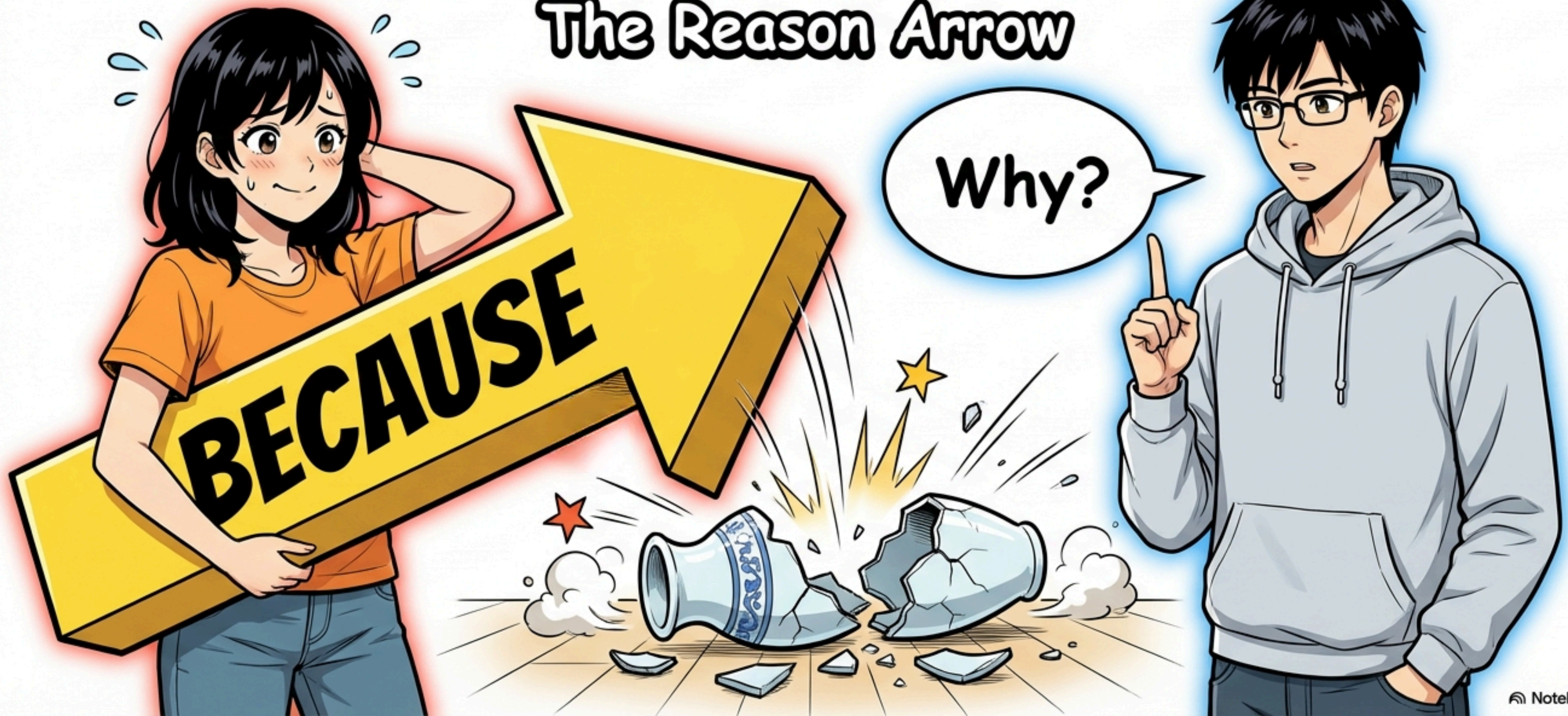


～からです

The Reason Arrow

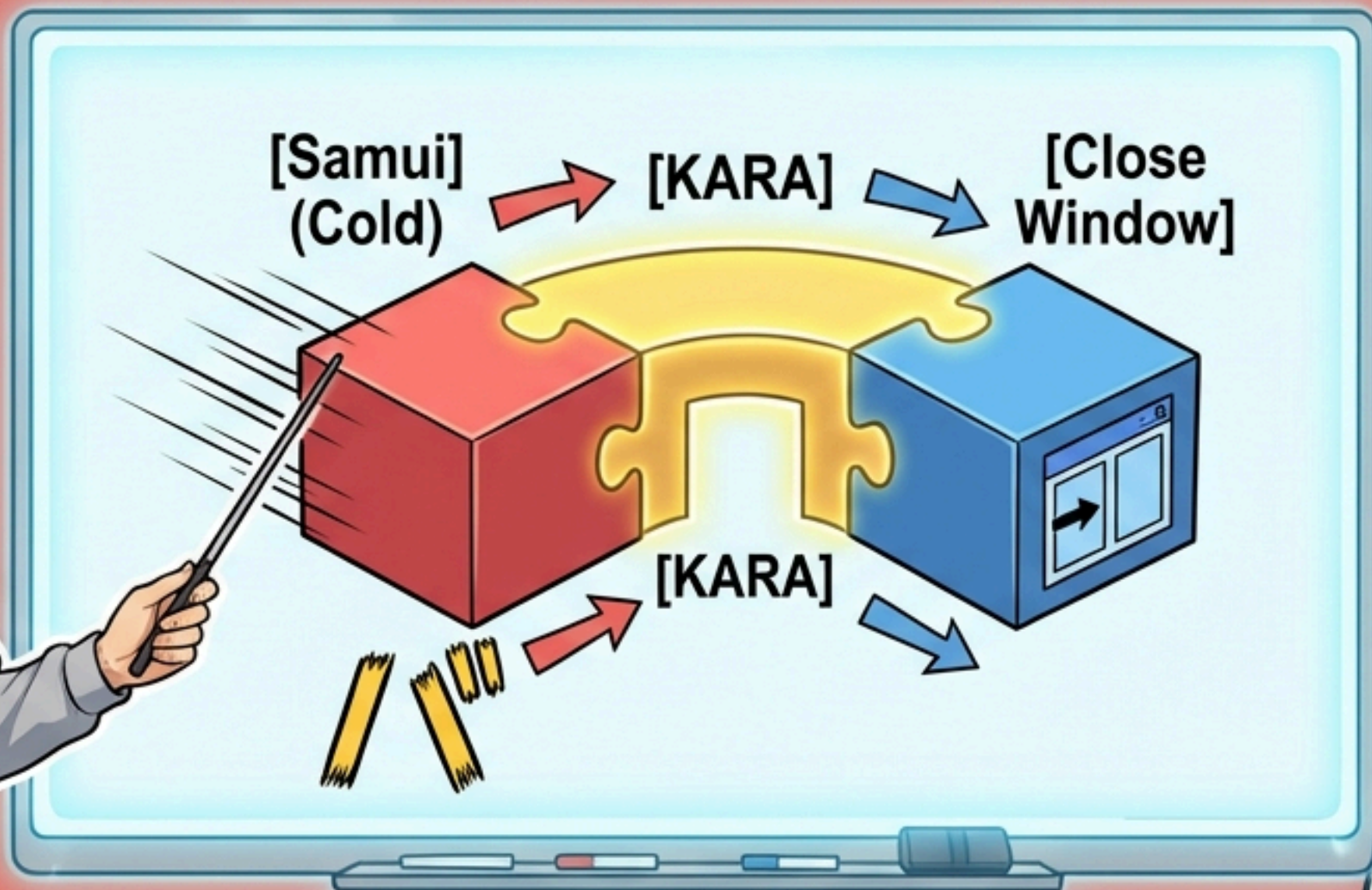


Answering "Why?"



Reason FIRST, Result SECOND!

Teacher/Instruction



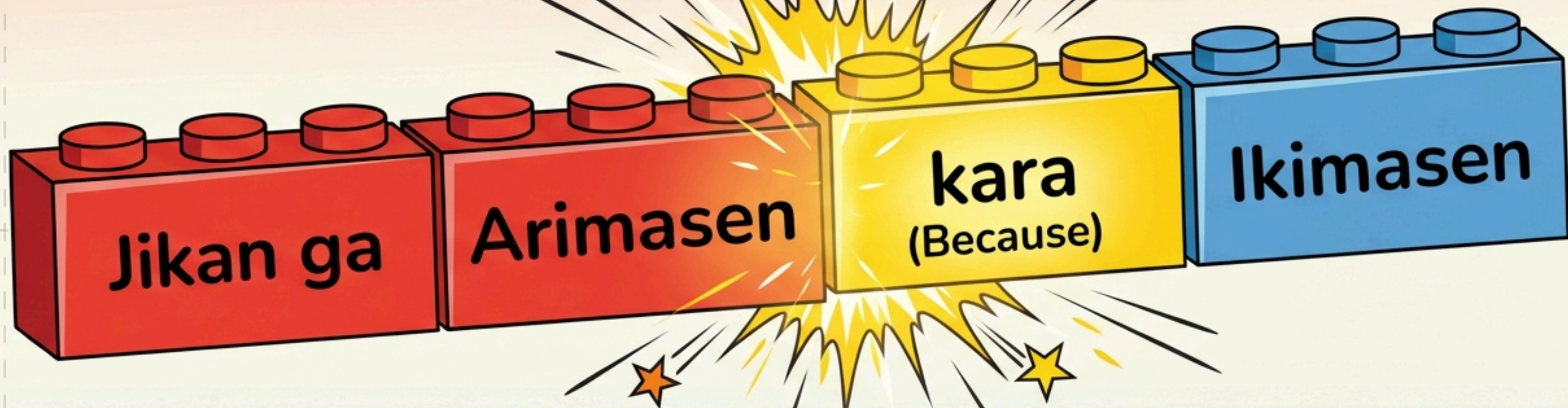
English: I close the window **because** it is cold.
Japanese: It is cold **kara**, I close the window.

Learner/Action

Reverse your logic!
Japanese puts the
Reason first.



Teacher/Instruction



時間がありませんから、行きません。
(Because I have no time, I won't go.)

A cartoon illustration of a woman with brown eyes, wearing a light blue hijab and a matching long-sleeved shirt. She is holding a small black ball between her thumb and index finger of her right hand. There are yellow motion lines around the ball. A speech bubble is coming from the ball.

Stop at
KARA DESU.

Q: Doushite? (Why?)

A: ...kara desu.

Pro Tip: If the context is clear, you don't need to repeat the result. Just end the sentence with 'Kara desu'.

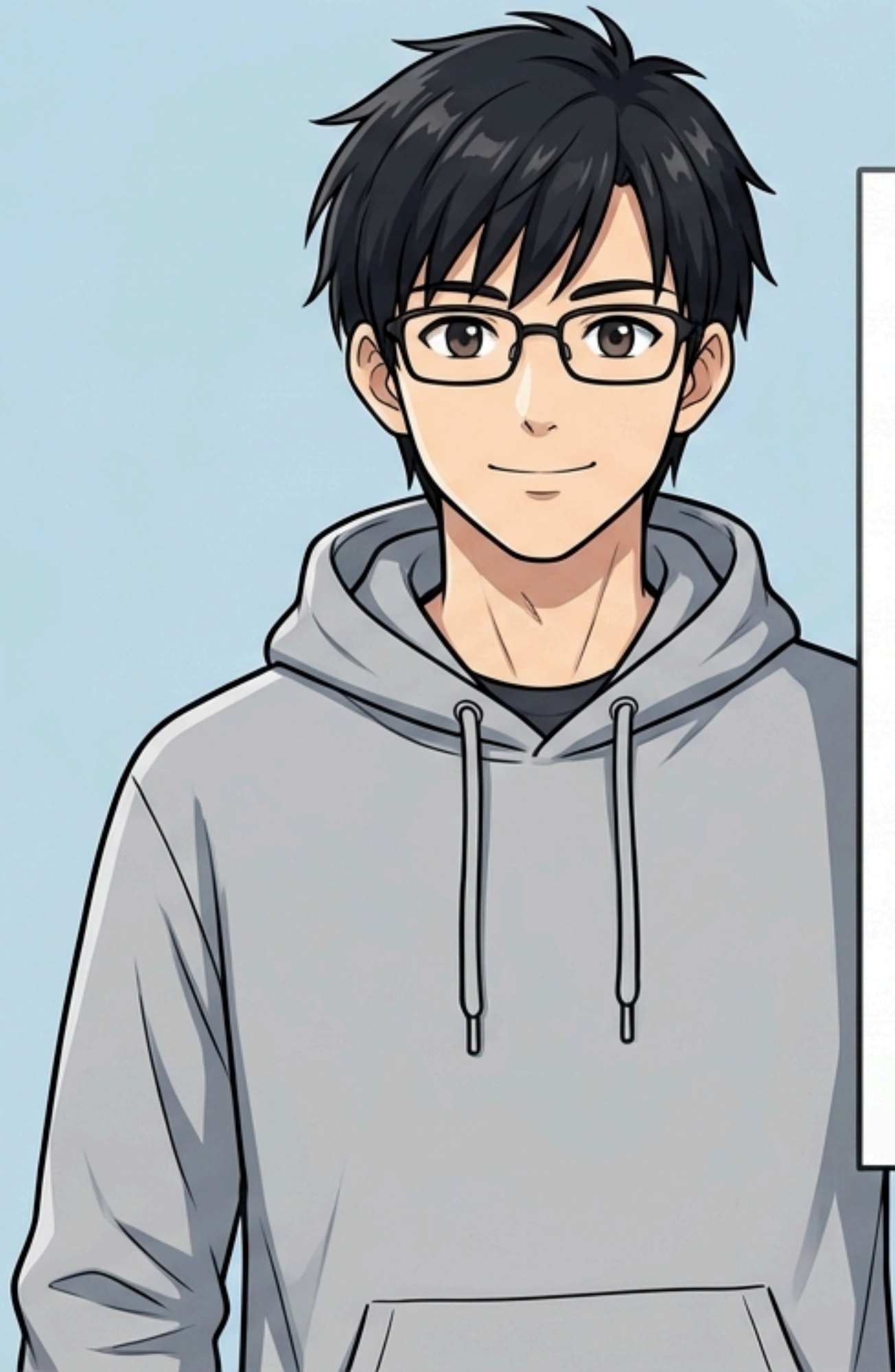
Isogashii kara desu. (Because I'm busy.)

Don't Do This!



✗ Tabete kara = AFTER eating (Sequence)

✓ Taberu kara = BECAUSE I eat (Reason)



Master the Reason Arrow!

- Structure: [Reason] + kara + [Result]
- Answering Why: [Reason] + kara desu
- Remember: Reason comes FIRST.