



~そうです
Looks like...
/ Seems...

THE VISUAL FIRST IMPRESSION

THE FACT

Oishii desu!

She TASTED it.
She KNOWS.



THE VISUAL GUESS

*Oishii
sou desu!*

She hasn't eaten it.
She GUESSES.



Use 'Sou desu' when
you guess based on
appearance. You don't
know for sure, but it
looks that way.



The Drop & Add Surgery

Rule: Cut the 'i', attach the 'sou'!

i-Adjectives



Oishii - i + sou = Oishi-sou

- Takai → Taka-sou

na-Adjectives



Genki + sou = Genki-sou



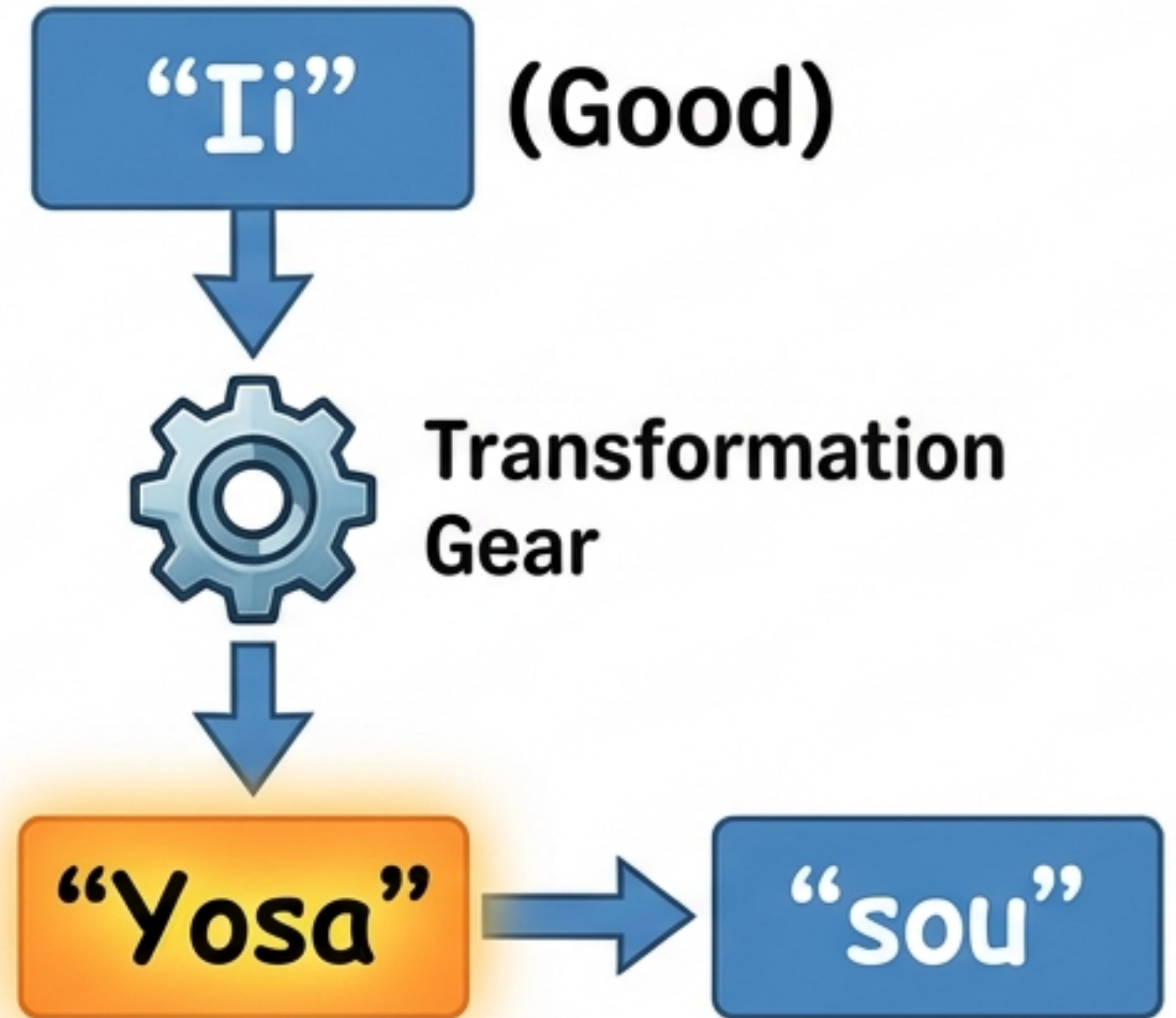
あの犬は 頭が よさそうです。

That dog looks smart.

RAYA'S HACK: THE 'Ii' EXCEPTION



Don't get tricked!
The word 'Ii' (Good)
shape-shifts into
'YOSA' before
combining!



✗ Ii-sou

✓ Yosa-sou (Looks good)

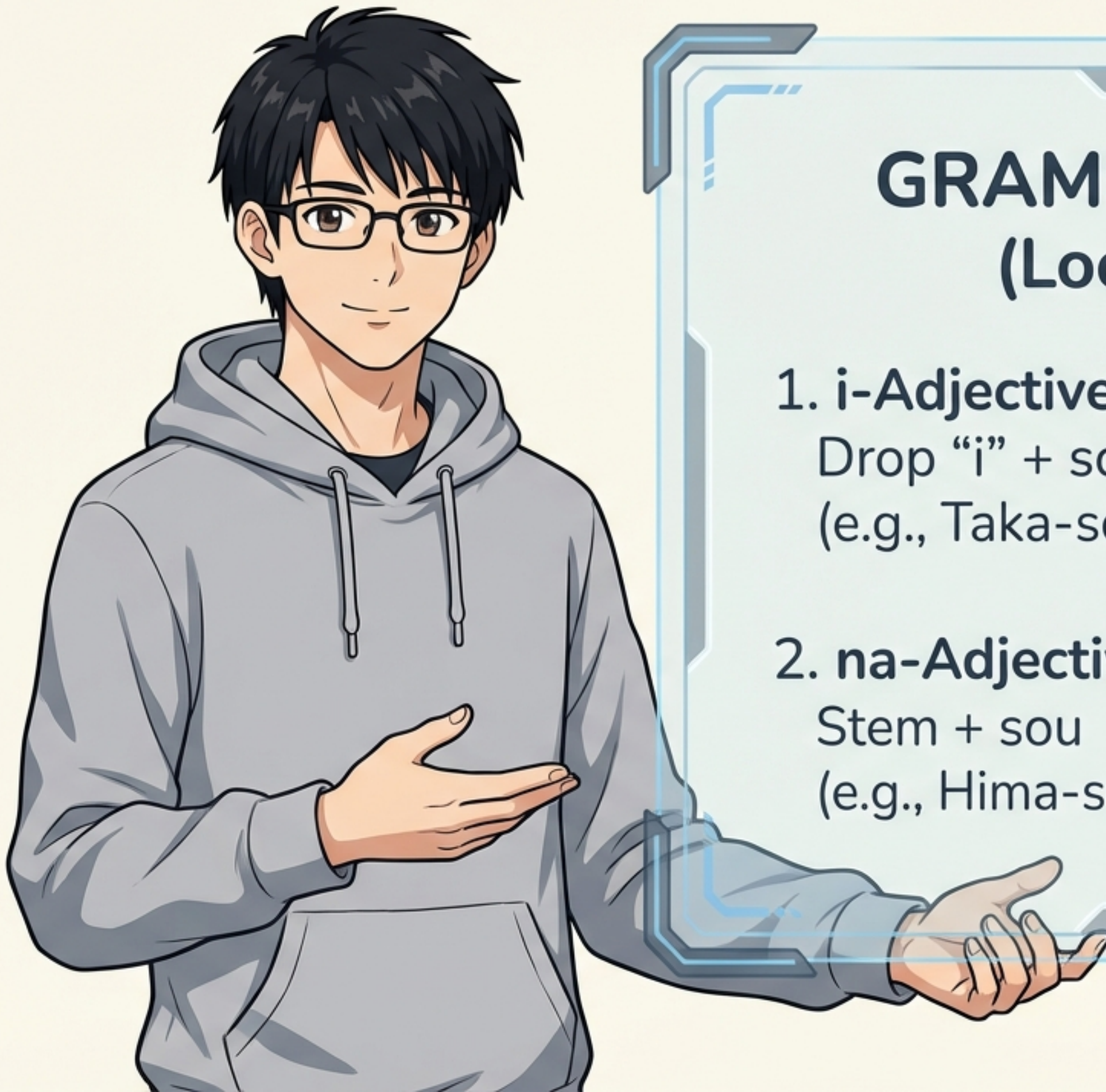
DON'T DO THIS!

Kawaii + sou = Kawaisou
(Poor thing / Pitiable!)

You made the bag sad!



To say it's cute, just say:
Kawaii desu ne!



GRAMMAR: ～そうです (Looks like / Seems)

1. i-Adjectives:
Drop “i” + sou
(e.g., Taka-sou)

2. na-Adjectives:
Stem + sou
(e.g., Hima-sou)

3. EXCEPTION:
li → Yosa-sou

! WARNING:
Kawaii + sou = “Poor thing!”
(Don’t use sou for cute!)