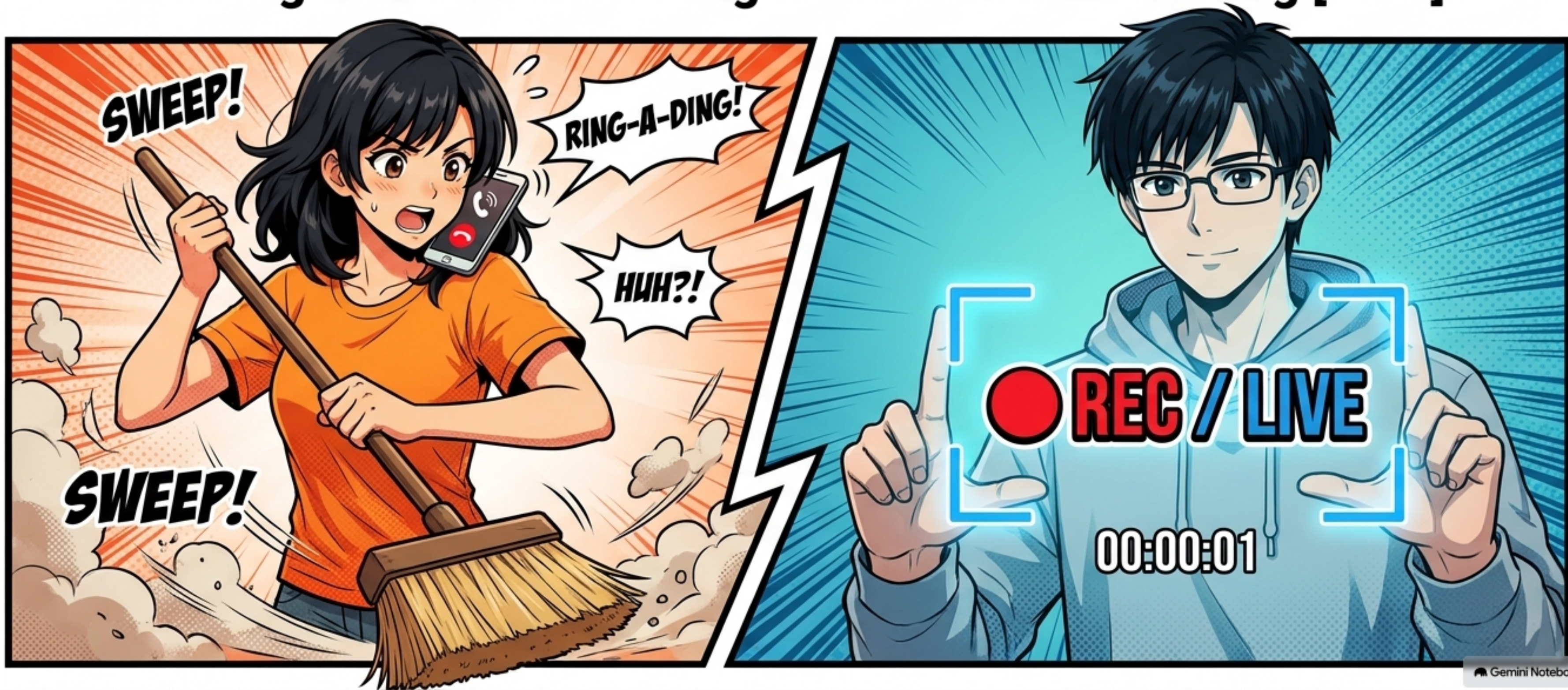


VERB ている + ところです

Catching the Action LIVE: Right in the middle of doing [Verb].





いま へやを
そうじしている
ところです。

(I am right in the middle
of cleaning my room!)

Use this grammar to pinpoint that you
are actively busy at this exact second!

たべている
(Eating)

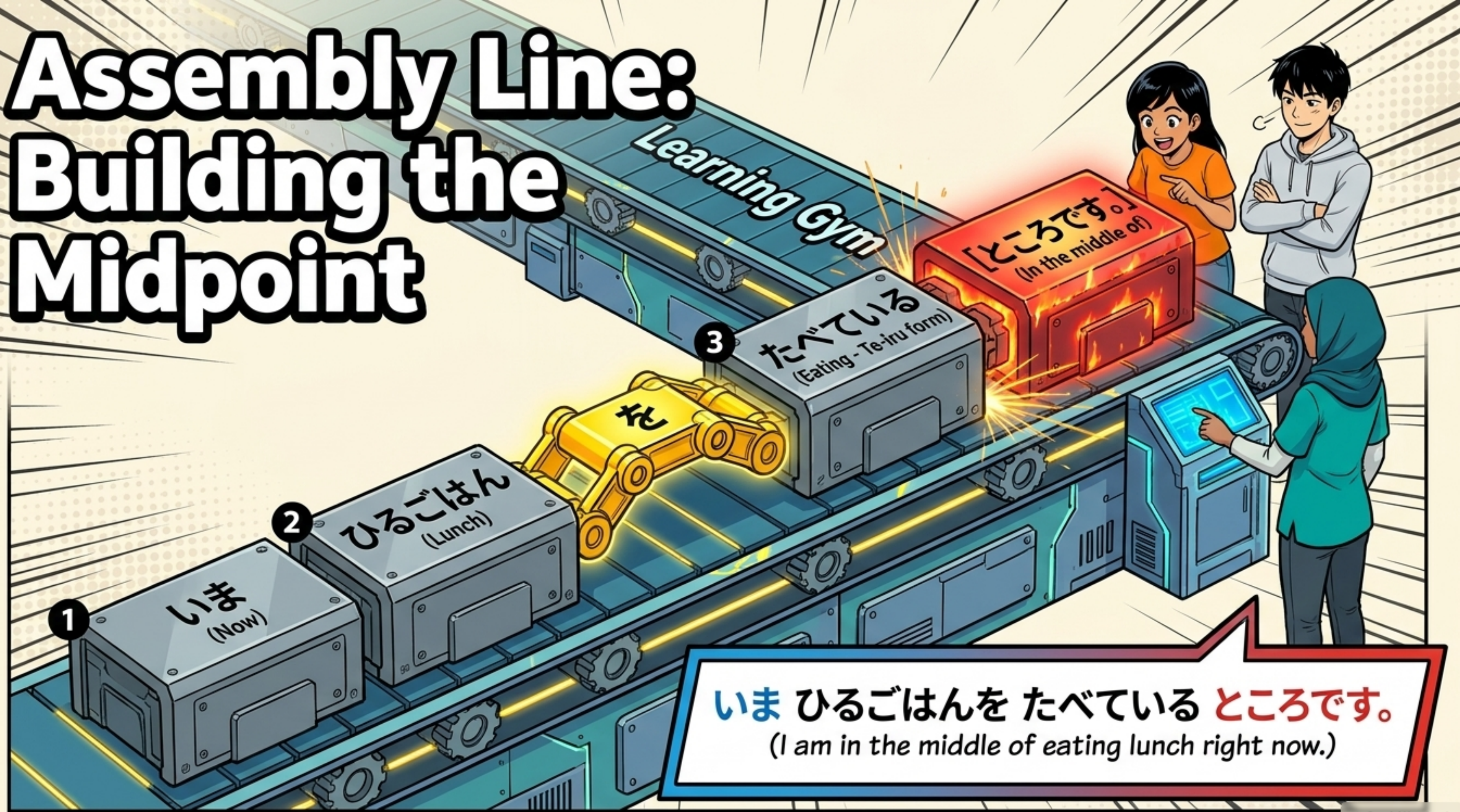


ところです



Verb ~ている Form + ところです = The Exact Midpoint

Assembly Line: Building the Midpoint



Raya's Hack: Does it have a live pulse?



Both express continuous action, but adding **tokoro desu** emphasizes that you are busy right at this moment. Perfect for answering phone calls!

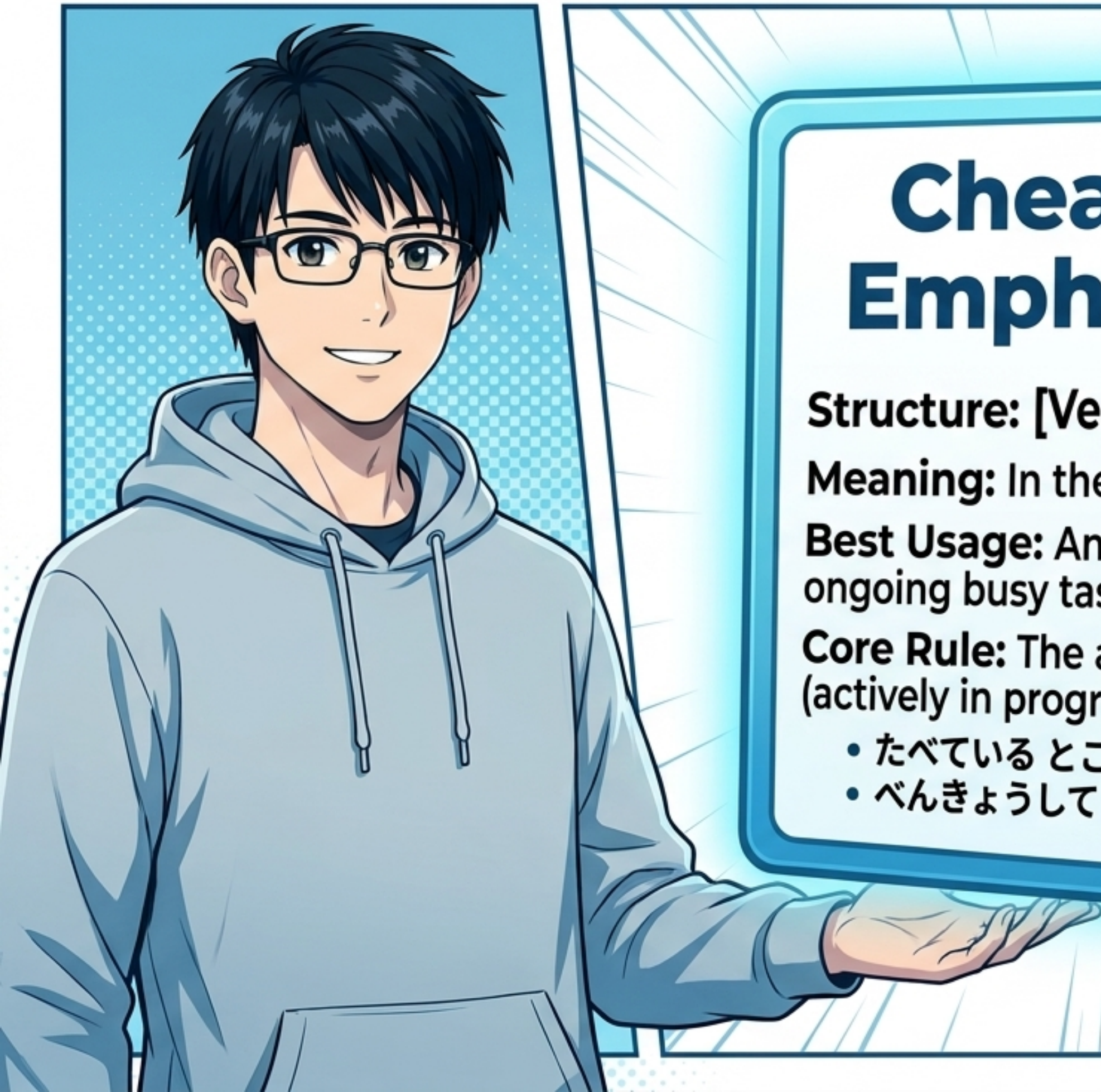
A	B
Basic	Emphatic/Pulse
たべて います ↓ I am eating. (A simple fact).	たべている ところです ↓ I am right in the middle of eating right now! (Live Action).

Don't do this! ✖ Using the Dictionary Form while ALREADY in progress.

「いま
そうじする
ところです!」

Joy! *souji suru* means
you haven't started yet!
If you are already
sweeping, you must
use the ~ている form:
○いま へやを そうじして
いる ところです

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Cheat Sheet: The Emphatic Midpoint

Structure: [Verb ~ている Form] + ところです。

Meaning: In the middle of doing [Verb] right now.

Best Usage: Answering phone calls, explaining ongoing busy tasks.

Core Rule: The action is roughly 50% completed (actively in progress).

- たべている ところです (In the middle of eating)
- べんきょうしている ところです (In the middle of studying)