

な-adjective + だそうです Hearsay & Reported Quality

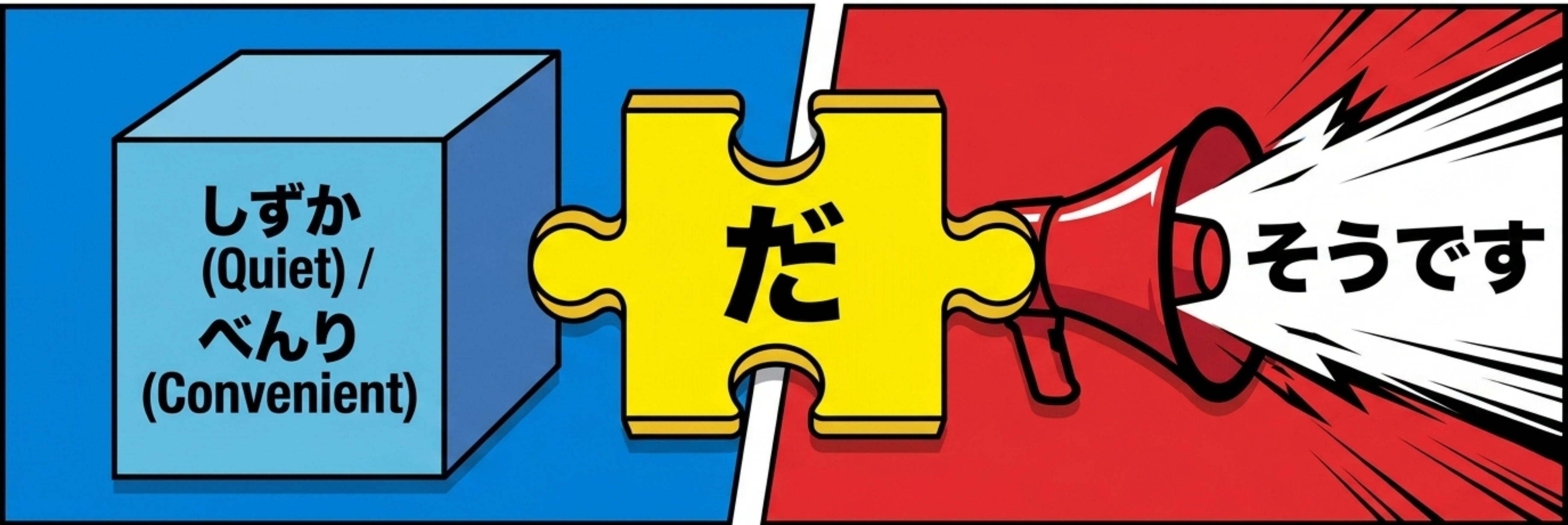


I heard that [Na-adjective]
They say that...

Reporting a STATE or QUALITY You Heard About

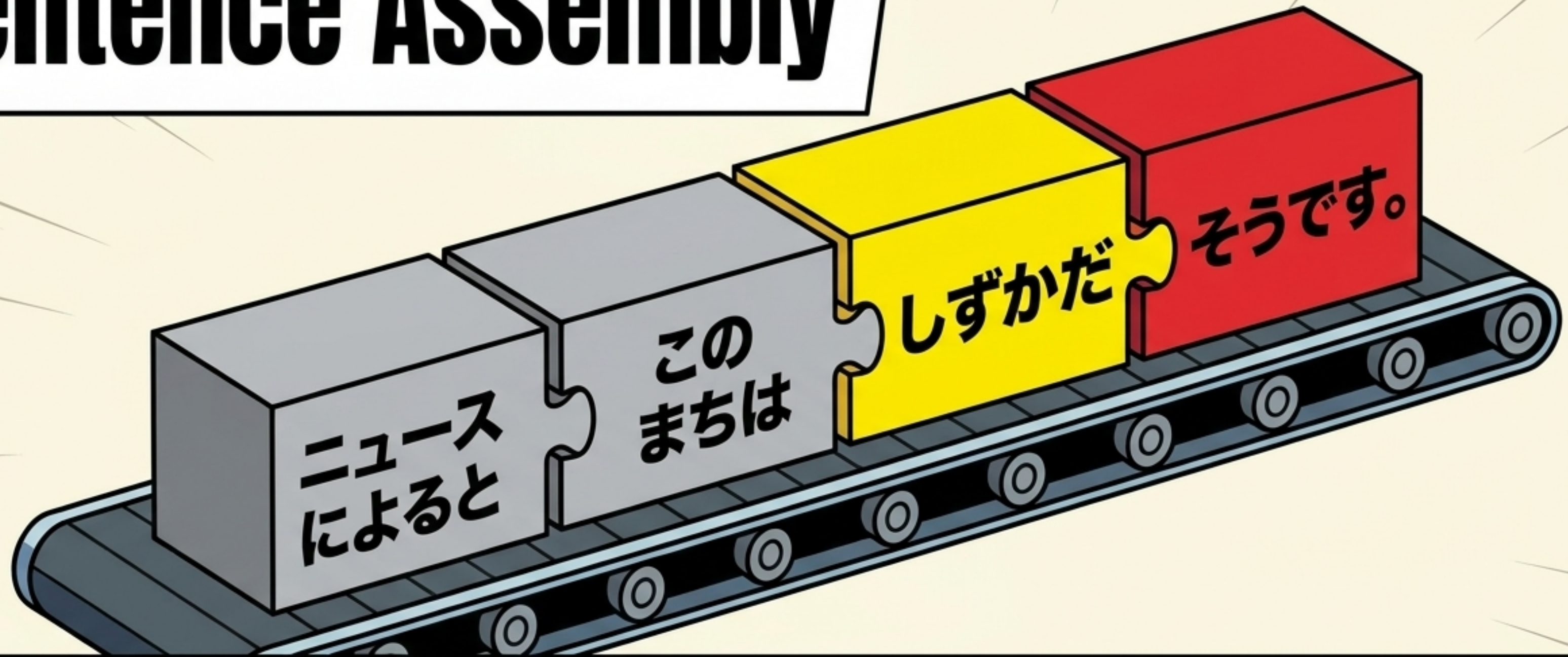


The 'DA' Bridge



な-adjective Base + だ + そうです

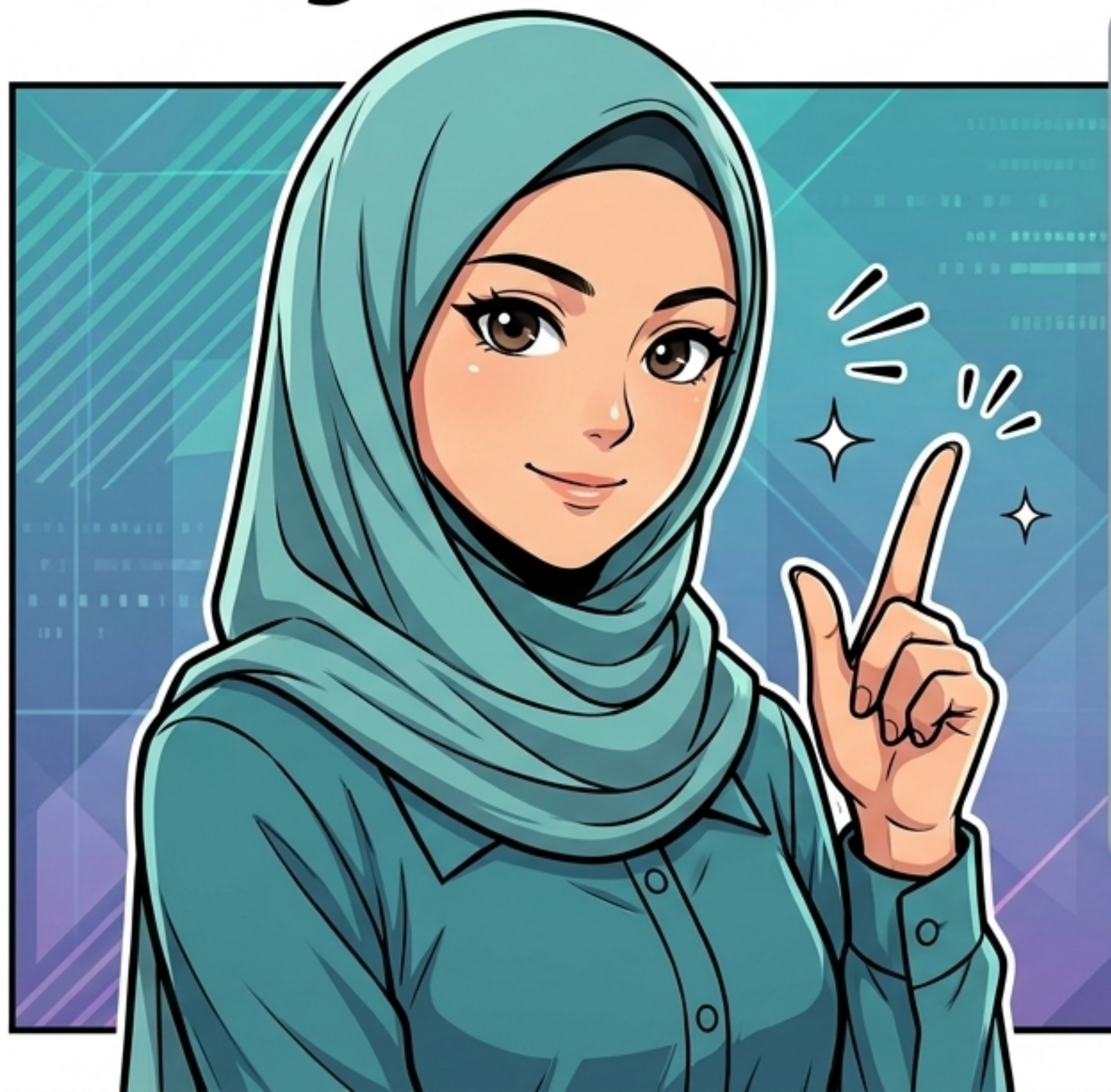
Sentence Assembly



ニュースによると、このまちは **しずかだ そうです。**

(According to the news, I heard this town is quiet.)

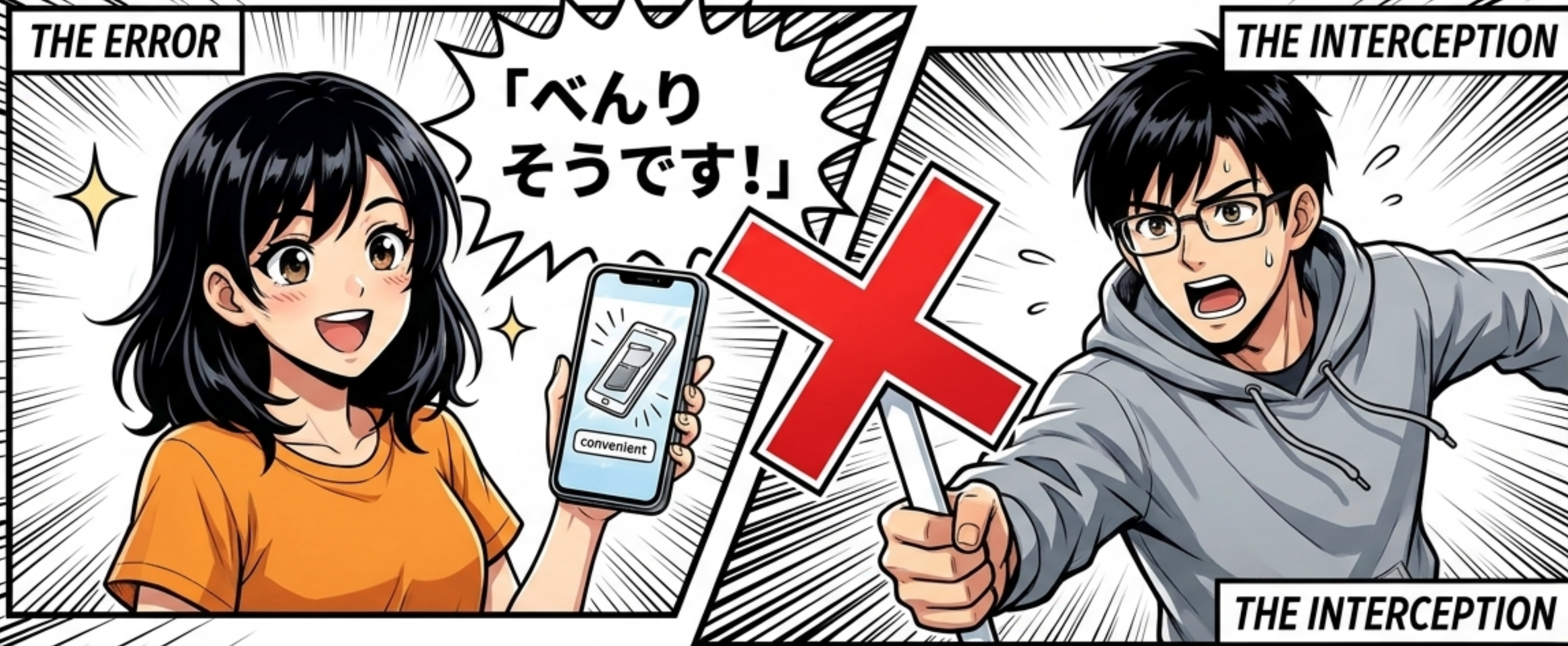
Raya's Hack



Keep 'だ' (Hearsay) vs. Drop 'だ' (Conjecture)

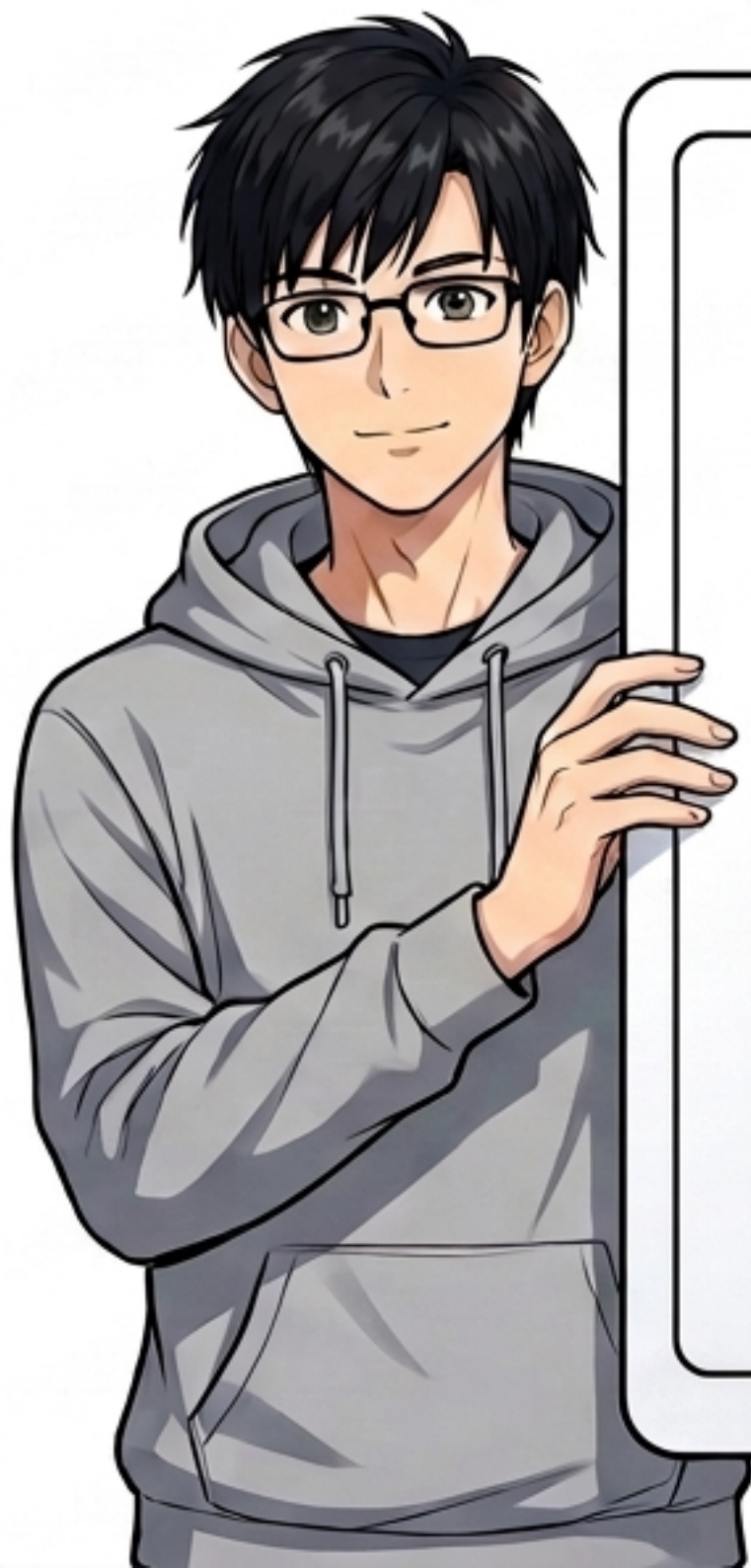
- ✓ 静か**だ**そうです = Hearsay
("I heard it's quiet")
- 👁️ 静か**そ**うです = Visual Look
("It looks quiet")

Don't do this!



- ✗ Dropping 'だ' when reporting hearsay
- これはべんりだ そうです (I heard this is convenient).

Quick Cheat Sheet



Present Affirmative: な-adjective Base + **だ** + **そうです** (しずかだ そうです)

Present Negative: な-adjective Base + **じゃない** + **そうです** (しずかじゃない そうです)

Past Affirmative: な-adjective Base + **だった** + **そうです** (しずかだった そうです)

Golden Distinction:

Include **だ** = Hearsay (I heard it's quiet).

Drop **だ** = Visual Conjecture (It looks quiet).