

## Useful Expressions for Discussion

### 1. 意見を述べる

- (1) It seems to me that -----
- (2) In my opinion, -----
- (3) Personally, I think-----
- (4) If you ask me, -----

### 2. 賛成する

- (1) I agree with-----
- (2) That's true.
- (3) That's a good point.



### 3. 反対する

- (1) I see her point, but-----
- (2) That's true, but-----
- (3) I don't agree. I think-----

### 4. 相手の主張を確認する

- (1) Are you saying that-----?  
 あなたは、-----と言っているのですか？
- (2) I want to make sure I've understood you. Are you saying that-----?
- (3) Let me make sure I've understood. Are you saying that-----?
- (4) So, you're saying that-----
- (5) So, what you're saying is-----
- (6) If I understand you correctly, -----, right?
- (7) Do you mean that-----?
- (8) Did you say-----?
- (9) OK. So, in other words, -----

### 5. 自分の主張についての相手の理解への対応

- まちがって理解されてしまった場合
  - (1) No, not really. What I'm trying to say is-----.  
 いいえ、そうではありません。わたしが言おうとしているのは、-----。
  - (2) That's not quite right. What I was trying to say is-----
  - (3) That's not what I mean. What I mean is-----
  - (4) That's not what I meant. What I meant was-----
- 正しく理解された場合
  - (5) Yes. That's exactly what I meant.  
 そうです。それこそ、まさにわたしの意味したことです。
  - (6) Yes. You're right.
  - (7) Yes. That is correct.

6. 相手が自分のことを理解してくれているか確かめる

- (1) Do you see what I mean?  
○ わたしの意味することわかりますか？
- (2) See what I mean?
- (3) Are you following me?
- (4) Okay?

7. もう一度言ってもらう

- (1) What did you say?  
○ 何て言いました？
- (2) Could you say that again?
- (3) Would you please repeat that?
- (4) What was that?

8. 相手の主張が理解できない

- (1) I don't see what you mean. Would you explain why?
- (2) I don't understand what you're saying.
- (3) I'm not sure I'm following you.
- (4) I didn't get what you were saying.
- (5) Could you say that again?
- (6) What did you say?

9. 相手の質問、主張に打ち返す

● 相手のポイントがするどいと感じたとき

- (1) That's a good question.  
○ いい質問です
- (2) I've never really thought about that.
- (3) That's a tough question.
- (4) I don't know enough to give you a good answer.

● 譲歩しながら打ち返すとき

- (5) I don't know for sure, but -----
- (6) I may be wrong, but -----
- (7) I don't know what other people would say, but I think-----
- (8) I'm not an expert, but -----
- (9) I've never thought about that before, but I would say that----
- (10) I haven't given this much thought, but I would say that-----

