Legal Rights and Obligations

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01 VOCABULARY

Advanced Japanese learning song about legal. The voice drills each chunk with its meaning so the words attach to the sound - listen, then answer in the gaps.

	CHUNK	MEANING	IN CONTEXT
1	**署名する前に弁護士に相談した方がいいです。** Shomei suru mae ni bengoshi ni soudan shita hou ga ii desu.	It is better to consult a lawyer before signing.	legal advice before signing
2	**この状況で私の権利は何ですか？** Kono joukyou de watashi no kenri wa nan desu ka?	What are my rights in this situation?	asking about rights
3	**彼女は訴えることに決めました。** Kanojo wa uttaeru koto ni kimemashita.	She decided to sue.	describing a decision
4	**私の義務は何ですか。** Watashi no gimu wa nan desu ka?	What is my obligation?	asking about duties
5	**権利と義務を知っていますか？** Kenri to gimu o shitte imasu ka?	Do you know your rights and obligations?	legal awareness
6	**契約書に署名します。** Keiyakusho ni shomei shimasu.	I will sign the contract.	signing an agreement

NEW WORDS (7)

bengoshi 弁護士
lawyer

kenri 権利
rights

gimu 義務
obligation

keiyakusho ni shomei suru 契約書に署名する
to sign a contract

soudan shita hou ga ii 相談したほうがいい
better to consult

kanojo 彼女
she

uttaeru koto ni kimemashita 訴えることに決めました
decided to sue

Practice tip · First listen without reading and just tap the pulse; on the second pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after the echo.

[SOUND DRILL]

ben

go

ken

ri

mu

[REVIEW]

Keiyaku jouken ni tsuite koushou shinakereba narimasen.

We must negotiate the contract terms.

Goui ni tasseru to omoimasu.

I think we can reach an agreement.

Teian o shitai desu.

I want to make a proposal.

Purojekuto o happyou dekimasu ka?

Can you present the project?

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 1]

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[VERSE 2]

Kanojo wa uttaeru koto ni kimemashita.

She decided to sue.

kanojo

she

uttaeru koto ni kimemashita

decided to sue

Bengoshi ni soudan shimashita ka?

Did you consult a lawyer?

Hai, soudan shimashita.

Yes, I consulted.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 3]

Kono keiyakusho no gimu wa nan desu ka?
What are the obligations in this contract?
Gimu wa ookii desu.
The obligations are big.
Kanojo no kenri wa ii desu ka?
Are her rights good?
Hai, kanojo wa kenri ga arimasu.
Yes, she has rights.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 4]

Kanojo wa uttaeru koto ni kimemashita kara, bengoshi ni soudan shita hou ga ii desu.
Since she decided to sue, it is better to consult a lawyer.
Watashi mo uttaeru koto ni kimemashita.
I also decided to sue.

[CHORUS]

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[VERSE 5]

Kenri to gimu o shitte imasu ka?

Do you know your rights and obligations?

Hai, kenri to gimu o shitte imasu.

Yes, I know my rights and obligations.

Keiyakusho ni shomei shimasu.

I will sign the contract.

Kono keiyakusho no gimu wa nan desu ka?

What are the obligations in this contract?

[CHORUS]

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[RECAP]

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Kanojo wa uttaeru koto ni kimemashita.

Watashi no gimu wa nan desu ka?

Grey lines are a reading aid for the script; the singer performs the language itself.

HOW TO USE THIS SONG

1. Listen to the whole song once without reading — just follow the pulse.
2. Listen again while reading the lyrics; let the echo lines carry the meaning.
3. On the third pass, say each chunk out loud in the pause after it is sung.
4. Use one phrase from this sheet today, in a real conversation or out loud.

DRILL MAP

SAY THIS	IT MEANS	WHEN / HOOK
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