



Misaeng (An Incomplete Life) is the story about corporate office workers in the fictional trading company One International, a story which deeply resonated with its viewers and became a cultural phenomenon for its vivid portrayal of the corporate world. This series revolves around the protagonist Jang Geu-Rae (Yim Si-Wan), as he and other employees at the company tread their way through the grueling world of corporate life as “Misaeng”. **Let's learn English through Misaeng!**

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When it is revealed that Manager Cheon will replace Manager Kim, Dong-Sik fondly reminisces about working with Manager Cheon.

Kim Dong-Sik: We had each other's back. While working under Senior Manager Oh, we cheered each other on and had a great time working together. We have a lot of good memories.

Jang Geu-Rae: How is an experienced hire like Manager Cheon different from an open recruitment hire?

Kim Dong-Sik: First off, he doesn't have colleagues who started here at the same time as he did, like you do. Which means he doesn't have someone to talk to, someone who is in the same boat as him. His roots in the company aren't as strong either. If he's willing to come to our department, in spite of all that has happened, maybe he will miss the good old days of working together. Don't you think? [playfully punches Geu-Rae in the belly] You have belly fat!

“belly fat”

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Today's Expression

This month we will look at expressions related to belly fat. Formally, they are called “abdominal obesity” or “excessive abdominal fat”. In spoken English, people just call it “belly fat”, but due to a commonly held belief that drinking a lot of beer (and alcohol in general) can result in the accumulation of fat in the abdomen, it is also referred to as a “beer belly” or “beer gut”. For example, you can say something like.

» I have a beer belly/beer gut, and it's hard to find pants that fit.

Due to its rotund appearance, beer belly can also be referred to as a “pot belly”.

» I'm so conscious of my pot belly.

On a side note 복근 is called abs in English, which is short for abdominal muscles. 왕(王)자 복근 is called six pack abs, or simply a six pack.

» I want six pack abs / I want a six pack.

If, during a workout, you focus on toning up your abs, you say that you're working on your abs. When you want to say something positive about someone's abs, you can describe their abs using qualifiers such as great and fantastic, or you can use words to “tight” and “ripped” to comment on how toned or muscular they are.

» he has tight abs.

» I want to get a ripped 6 pack.

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Special Tip!

In his conversation with Geu-Rae, Dong-Sik talks about an experienced hire (someone who has gained experience in another industry, role, or company) and an open recruitment hire. In the U.S., recruitment is often divided into these two types: internal recruitment and external recruitment.

Internal recruitment refers to finding and hiring suitable candidates from within the organization. Transfers, promotions, and re-employment of former employees are categorized as recruiting from internal sources.

The other type, external recruitment, is the hiring of people through advertisements, employment agencies, educational institutions, recommendations, etc.

“types of recruitment”

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