



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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### Misaeng Episode 10.

*With all eyes on the controversial used car project that he is pursuing, Department Head Oh tackles obstacles head on, knowing full well office politics are not in his favor.*

Department Head Oh: We need to start working on the PowerPoint presentation.

I know what you’re all thinking ? that we don’t have time and it’s overwhelming.

More importantly, I know what the Executive Director’s thinking.

Still... You want to just fold here?

Kim Dong-Sik: No. We can’t do that. We’ve come this far.

We can’t give up without even giving it a try.

Department Head Oh: Manager Cheon?

Manager Cheon: Let’s do it.

Department Head Oh: [mockingly] Team Leader Jang? Actually, we don’t need your opinion.

## “fold”

(하던 일을 접다, 포기하다)

1.

### Today's Expression

Expressions related to poker are commonly used in every day conversations among native English speakers, so why don’t we take a look at some of them today?

**1) fold** 하던 일을 접다, 포기하다

In poker folding your hand means you put down the cards and stop playing the hand. In informal English, to fold can refer to the act of giving up and/or no longer working on something.

» You’re just going to fold like that without even putting up a fight?

**2) bluff** 허풍떨다

In the context of a poker game, a bluff or bluffing refers to the act of pretending to have a better hand than you do. In the same vein, a bluff in spoken English means attempting to deceive someone into believing that you can or will do something without intending to actually do so.

» He’s just bluffing. He’s not actually going to do that.

When the other person can tell that you are merely bluffing and calls you out on it, you say that you “call his/her bluff”.

**3) blue chip** 우량주

Originating from the high value of blue poker chips, the expression blue chip stock is used when talking about stocks of large, well-established companies with solid reputations.

» If you want to be on the safe side, invest in a blue chip stock.

2.

### Special Tip!

An effective presentation is one that is clear and easy to follow. Using topic sentences and signpost language, which refer to words and phrases that clearly communicate to the listener what you are about to talk about. In other words, these words and phrases serve as a guide for the listener to help them follow your presentation better. In today’s Special Tip, we’ll look at some useful expressions to use in presentations.

**1) Giving an outline of the presentation**

» I’m going to divide this talk into four parts. / There are a number of points I'd like to make. / Basically/ Briefly, I have three things to say.

**2) Transitioning into the next topic**

» Moving on now to ... / Now we'll move on to... / Now let's turn to ... / The next issue/topic/area I'd like to focus on ... / Now let's look at...

**3) Giving examples**

» For example, ... / A good example of this is... / As an illustration, ... / To give you an example, ... / To illustrate ...

**4) Clarifying and paraphrasing**

» Simply put... / In other words... / So what I'm saying is... / To put it more simply... / To put it another way...

## “presentation”

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