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To: Mr. English

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How are you doing? I'm good, but I'm tired because of you! Now, I'm writing this letter to complain about you. Read carefully!

To begin with, you are too difficult for me to understand. There are three main reasons why I think you are difficult.

First, your son, grammar. It is one of the most difficult things for English learners. There is so much grammar that I can't remember all of it. Also, it is very complicated. It is very different between you and Japanese, such as the position of subject, verb, and object. It is often confusing to Japanese people.

Second, your daughter, words. There are too many English words to memorize. To memorize English words is harder than to memorize grammar. Spelling is the hardest thing in memorizing English words. I have to write more letters than in Japanese.

Third, your nephew, pronunciation. I have trouble with it. It is quite different from Japanese pronunciation. I can't pronounce "th" well. When I visited Canada, I couldn't tell things I wanted to say in English, because my pronunciation was poor. I thought I have to improve my pronunciation to make communication go smoothly.

Lastly, I want to tell you one more thing. Actually, I really love you. You are very interesting to me. I'm happy when I can understand the meaning of a sentence, listen to what foreign people are talking about and use what I have learned. Also, you gave me a lot of important things. For example, I could become able to see one thing from many different views, because I learned about other cultures through you. By knowing various cultures and people, I could become able to respect others. These are just a couple of the good things you gave me. I called you a lot of names, but I may have fallen in love with you.

From: Kazuki Mitsuji