

# **COMPLAINING**



### Dialogue

- A: Good afternoon, can I help you?
- B: I hope so. I bought this television here about three months ago, but the sound and picture quality are awful. The picture is always flickering and there's a dark line down the left-hand side of the screen. And there's an annoying hissing sound in the background.
- A: Do you have an outside aerial?
- B: Yes, I do.
- A: Have you tried adjusting the aerial?
- **B:** Several times.
- A: Hmmmm. I'll get our engineers to have a look at it.
- B: A friend of mine bought the same model here and had exactly the same problems. I want a refund.
- A: I'm afraid it isn't our policy to give refunds, sir.



**B:I** want to see the manager.

## Vocabulary



Hissing sound



Aerial



Refund



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### Let's Talk

- 1. What would you do if you happened to purchase a defective product?
- 2. Do Japanese easily complain? Did you have an experience arguing with a sales clerk at a store? Tell something about that.
- **3.** Did you have any experience receiving a complain for a customer or a friend maybe? Tell something about that.
- 4. If you are the manager of that shop, what will you do?
- **3.** Activity: (student will be the customer; teacher will be the manager.)

A: You saw the advertisement about a shampoo that can make your hair straight and shiny. But when you used it, you started to lose your hair. Complain to the clerk about it.

