

Career Crossroads





CONVERSATION

Ken: Hey, Taharu. Do you have a minute?

Taharu: Yes, Ken. Anything I can do for you?

Ken: Well, I'm in need of help if you don't mind.

Taharu: Sure. What's that all about?

Ken: I'm at the crossroad in my career right now. I have recently interviewed with a different company and they extended an offer to me. I haven't decided yet, but I want to tell you before coming to a decision.

Taharu: That would be quite tough. If I were in your situation I would be very confused! Is the offer very inviting?

Ken: Well, they are offering me a higher salary. But the problem is that I like to work with the people here. If I didn't like this company and the people here, it would be an easy decision to make.

Taharu: I guess you have to settle your priorities.

Ken: I think I need a couple of days to figure out what I should do. I want to let you know before I make a final decision.



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USEFUL EXPRESSIONS:

- *I'm at the crossroads of my career.
- *That would be quite tough.
- *Is the offer very inviting?



LET'S TALK

- 1. Have you been in a situation wherein you have to make a difficult decision about your career? Tell something more about it.
- 2. If this situation happens to you, how are you going to figure things out?
- 3. What are the important things to consider before making a change in career?
- 4. How important are the following things in consideration to career change?
 - a) Compensation
 - b) Chance for enhancement
 - c) Environment
 - d) Nature of Work
 - e) Location/ Workplace
 - f) People you work with