

A Sculpture like *David*

Scene: Ms. Watanabe is a local artist. A fan visits her studio.

M: Thank you for letting me into your art studio, Ms. Watanabe! I've been a fan of your sculptures ever since I saw them online.

W: Well, it's a pleasure to meet you! Not many people ask to see where I work, or the unfinished projects.

M: But these are amazing! I can imagine how much talent and **patience** it takes to make sculptures -- out of blocks of stone?

W: Oh, it's **marble**, actually. And my work isn't that impressive. But I'm going to keep working on my art! And someday, I'll be famous, and everyone will see my work! Haha.

M: That's a great dream! But I think you can do it! You have so much talent! I think it's just as good as... uhhh hmmm, what was he called, Micheal...

W: Michelangelo?

M: Yeah, that guy!

W: Haha... He's such a big **inspiration** to me. Everyone knows Michelangelo's work, even if they don't know much about art, like you!

M: Well you don't need to know much about art to **appreciate** it!

W: Yeah. Oh, I hope someday I can create something as amazing as *David*.

M: David? I thought we were talking about Michael!

W: Haha... No, *David* is the name of the sculpture. Oh, never mind.

M: Well, why haven't you started creating YOUR *David*?

W: Hmm... I guess... I haven't found the right inspiration yet.

M: Hey, I can model for you!

W: Haha, OK. But just for fun, OK? A real piece will take weeks. **Hang on.** I'll get my tools. You just find a comfortable position.

M: OK!!!

W: Are you ready? Aagh! Why are you naked!?

M: I thought you wanted to make a *David*!?

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*** It's a Good Expression ***

(今回の重要表現)

patience

忍耐力

※it takes patience to do で「～するには忍耐力が必要だ」

marble

大理石

a big inspiration

大いに刺激を与えてくれる人

appreciate (art)

(美術)を鑑賞する

Hang on.

ちょっと待ってて。