

Episode2-06

バリー、エレベーターに乗る

物語本文

Ken had looked forward to Sunday afternoon all week.

His friend Barry was coming over! They planned to watch a baseball game on TV. When Barry arrived, Ken took the elevator down to the first floor.

Barry was waiting for him there at the building's entrance.

But when they stepped into the elevator and the doors closed,

Barry quickly forgot about baseball.

What was this amazing machine? It was like something from a space movie.

They reached the fourth floor.

The elevator doors opened, and Ken stepped out. Barry did not.

"I'll see you a bit later," Barry said with an excited smile.

He rode the elevator up and down for the next 15 minutes, all by himself.

問題文と選択肢

Why did Barry quickly forget about watching the baseball game on TV?

- ① Because he wanted to meet Ken.
- ② Because he was excited about the elevator.
- ③ Because he wanted to watch a space movie.

答え **②** Because he was excited about the elevator.

ワンポイントアドバイス



日曜日の午後、ケンはお友達のバリーと野球の試合をテレビで見る予定でしたが、思いがけないハプニングが起こります。それはエレベーターの中のできごとでしたが、一体何が起こったのでしょうか…バリーの行動に思わず笑ってしまいますね。

ここでの重要表現は“I’ll see you a bit later,” Barry said with an excited smile. (少し後で会おうね。バリーはわくわくした笑顔で言いました)です。a bit という表現は「少し」という頻出表現です。littleを使った a little bit も口語ではよく使われますので練習してみましょう。



エピソード2-06で覚えない単語

- look forward to 楽しみにする
- all week 1週間ずっと
- coming over やって来る
- planned to ~する予定だった
- stepped into the elevator エレベーターに乗った
- quickly すぐに
- all by himself 彼1人で