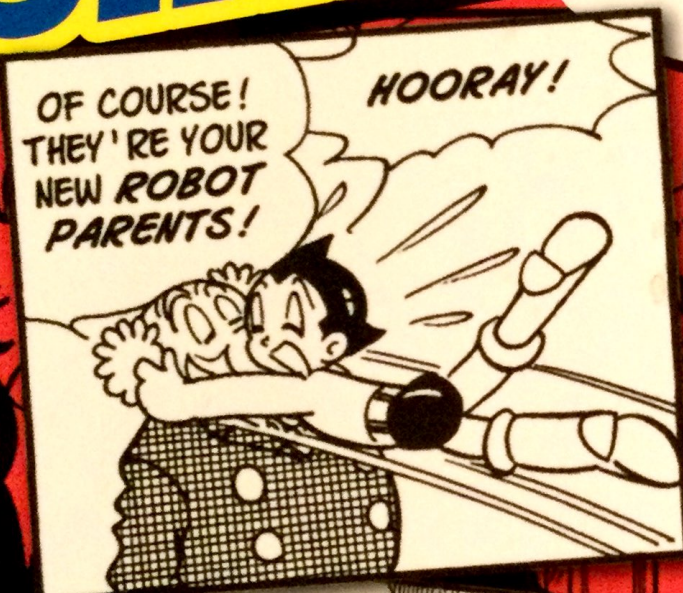


# Active English Skills

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Communicative  
English through  
Tezuka Manga

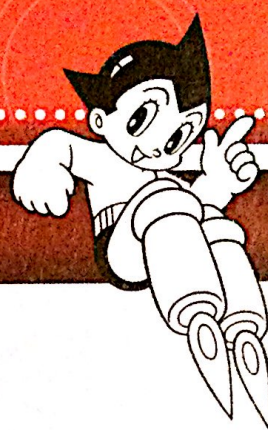




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# Introductions and Biographical Information

## アトムの手紙



## 人物の紹介をする

### 1 Warm-up



► Part 1: Listen to the warm-up talk and fill in the spaces provided.

Why do we make robots? Humans (1) (2) dolls and puppets long ago. Our (3) now is to make (4) robots that (5) and (6) like humans. In the *Astro Boy* series, Osamu Tezuka (7) very fast (8) in robotics. In the *Astro Boy* stories, robots (9) in schools. They can (10) and (11) like humans. Tezuka's robots look (12) humans and they (13) humans in all sorts of work.

► Part 2: Answer the following questions about the warm-up talk.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 What did humans do long ago?                      | They ( ) ( ) dolls and puppets.                         |
| 2 What is our dream now?                            | It is to make robots that ( ) ( ) ( ) like real humans. |
| 3 What did Osamu Tezuka imagine?                    | He imagined very ( ) ( ) in robotics.                   |
| 4 What do robots do in the <i>Astro Boy</i> series? | They ( ) in schools, ( ) and ( ) like humans.           |

### 2 Today's Speaking Target

► Write the following in English and practice with a partner. The manga on the next page may help you.

- |                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 私は2カ国語を話すことができます。 | I ( ) ( ) ( ) languages. |
| 2 私はイギリスに行くつもりです。   | I ( ) ( ) ( ) England.   |



# Vocabulary

☐ be spotted

見つかる

☐ ( )

サーカス

☐ ( ) away

すぐに

☐ ( )

長

☐ ( )

= laboratory

研究所

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( )

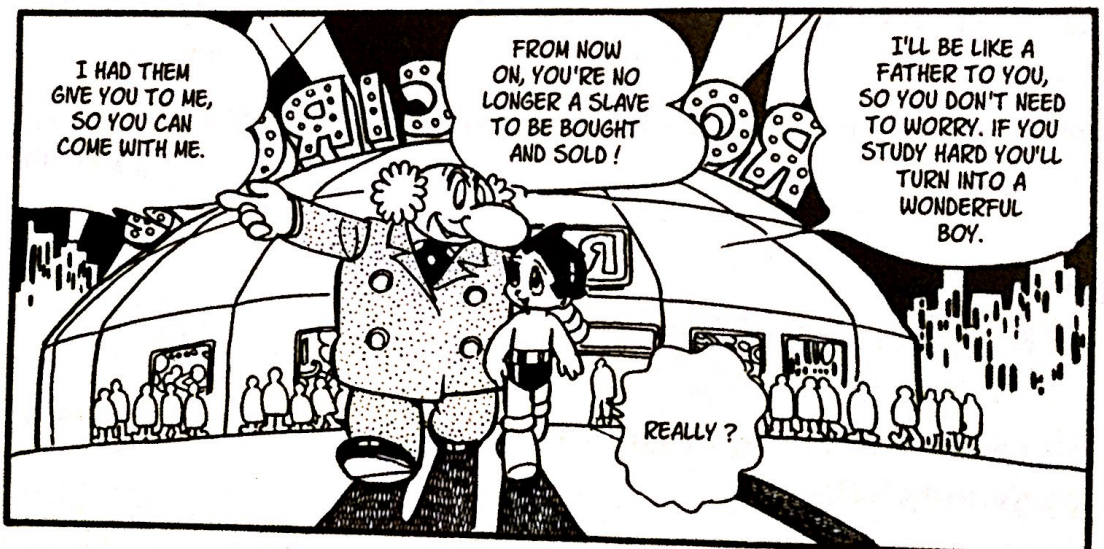
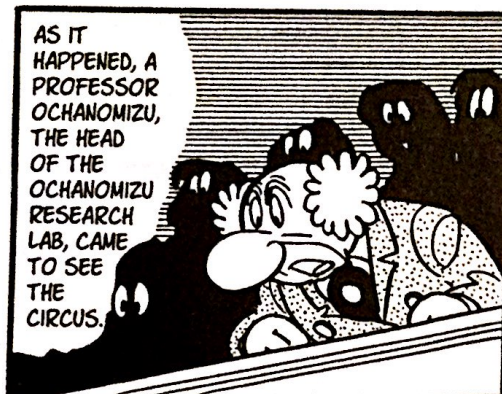
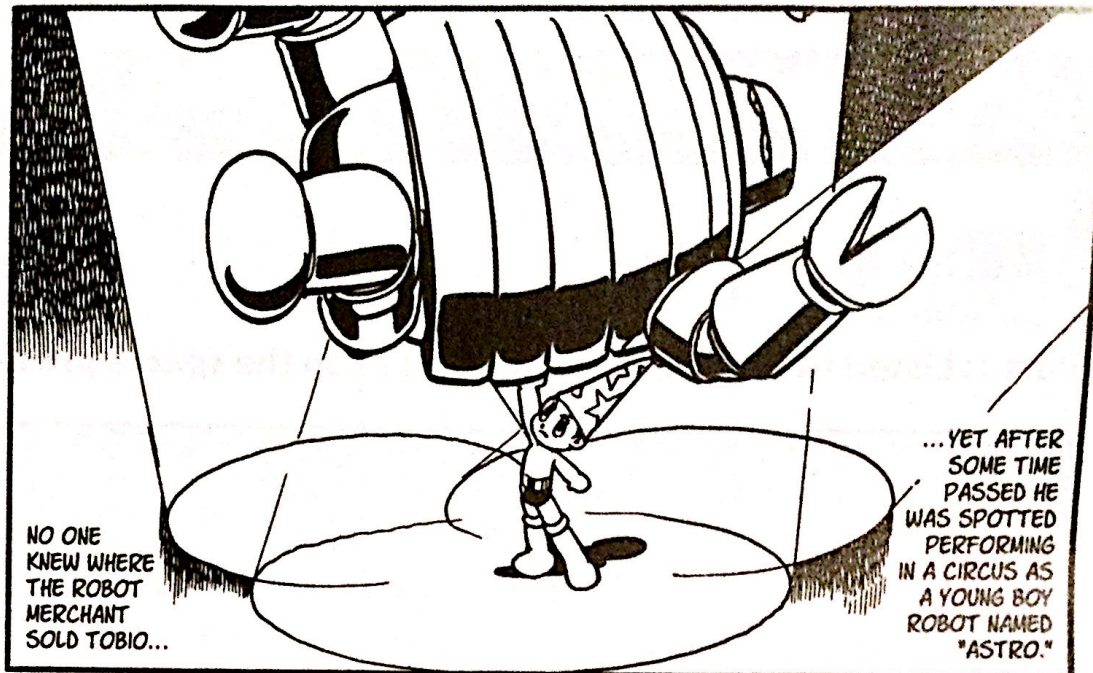
に変わる

☐ no ( )

もはや～でない

☐ ( )

奴隷





## Vocabulary

☐ ( )  
励まし

☐ amplify  
拡大する

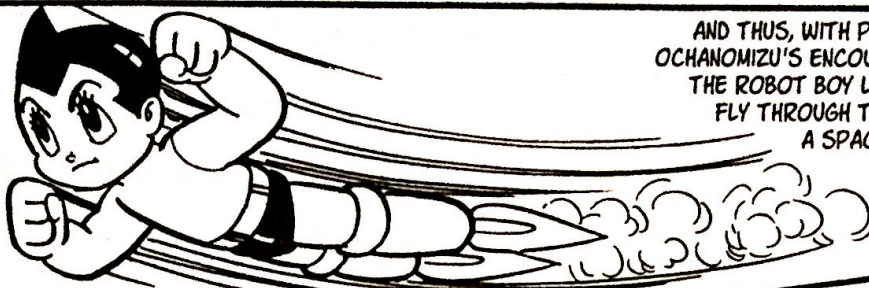
☐ ( )  
聴力

☐ a ( )  
( )  
千倍

☐ ( )  
サーチライト、探照  
灯

☐ ( )  
~かどうか

☐ be ( )  
( ) ...  
~に等しい、  
~に相当する

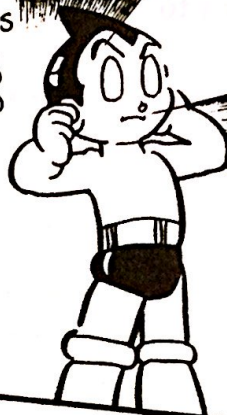


AND THUS, WITH PROFESSOR  
OCHANOMIZU'S ENCOURAGEMENT,  
THE ROBOT BOY LEARNED TO  
FLY THROUGH THE AIR LIKE  
A SPACE ROCKET.

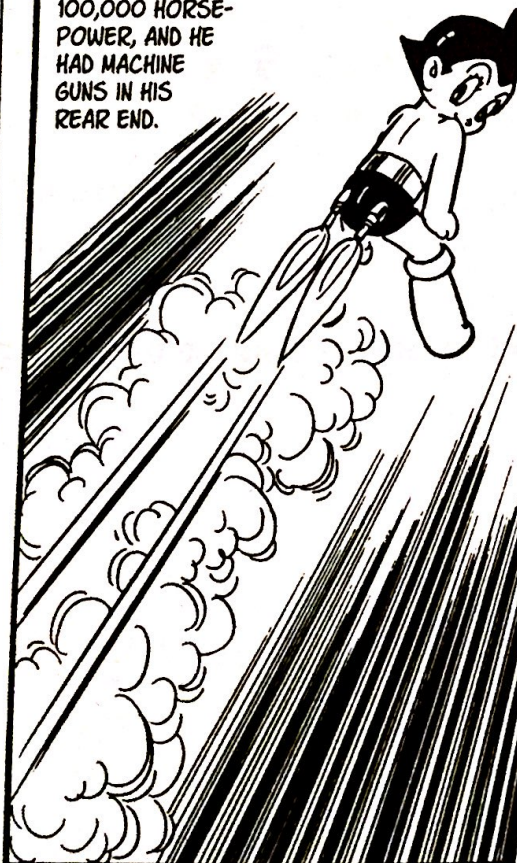
HE LEARNED  
TO SPEAK  
SIXTY LANGUAGES  
FLUENTLY AND TO  
SENSE WHETHER  
PEOPLE WERE  
GOOD OR BAD.



HE COULD  
AMPLIFY HIS  
HEARING A  
THOUSAND  
TIMES AND  
USE HIS  
EYES AS  
SEARCH-  
LIGHTS.



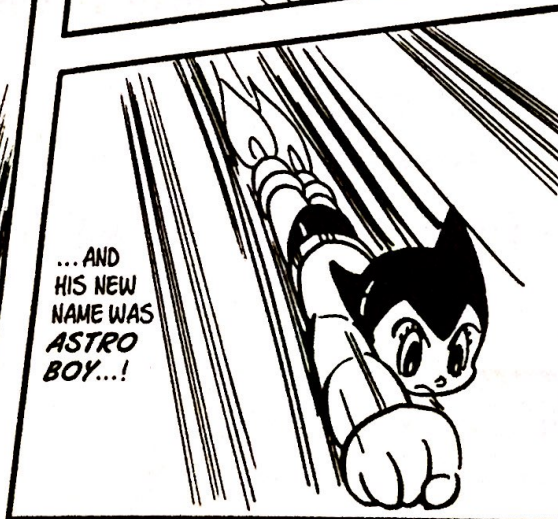
HIS STRENGTH  
WAS EQUAL TO  
100,000 HORSE-  
POWER, AND HE  
HAD MACHINE  
GUNS IN HIS  
REAR END.



THE ROBOT  
ONCE NAMED  
TOBIO WAS  
REBORN...



... AND  
HIS NEW  
NAME WAS  
**ASTRO  
BOY...!**





### 3 Comprehension Questions for Manga

► Answer the following questions about the manga.

1 Where did Professor Ochanomizu see Astro first?

He ( ) him in a ( ).

2 Professor Ochanomizu says that Astro will be a wonderful boy if he does something. What?

If he ( ) ( ).

3 How many languages did Astro learn to speak?

He learned to speak ( ) languages.

4 What could Astro amplify?

He could amplify his ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ).

5 What could Astro use as searchlights?

He could use his ( ).

6 What did Astro have in his rear end?

He had ( ) ( ) in his ( ) end.

7 What was Astro's old name?

His old name was ( ).

### 4 Let's Challenge!



► Listen to the audio, and choose the answer that best fits the manga.

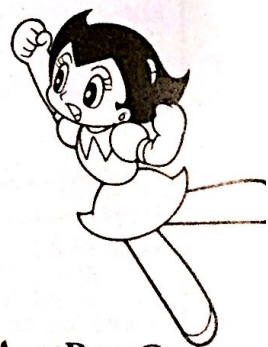
1 A B C

2 A B C

3 A B C

4 A B C

5 A B C



### 5 Matching Responses

► Read the numbered dialog on the left and match it with the best response on the right.

1 How many languages can you speak?

A Yes, if I study hard.

2 Are you going to be a wonderful boy?

B About sixty.

3 Where did you meet the professor?

C At the circus.

### Grammar Focus



► 自己紹介するときの表現

I am ... I can ... I will ...

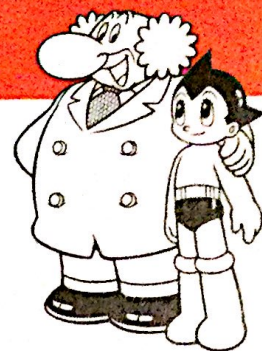
► 略歴を述べる時の表現

I learned ...

If I study hard, I will ... ~を勉強しました。  
もし一生懸命勉強したら、~するつもりです。



## 6 Composition



► Put the words in brackets in order and make English sentences.

1 私の夢は、水泳選手になってオリンピックに出場することです。  
(My dream is to be a (and, take part in, swimmer, to, the Olympics).)

2 彼女は一生懸命勉強すれば、いい大学に行けるでしょう。  
(she studies, if, she, a, go, university, will, to, good, hard).

3 私は英語の他にドイツ語も話すことができます。  
(English, German, addition to, can, in, I, speak).

4 将来はオーストラリアに住みたいです。  
(live, in, I, future, want, the, in, to) Australia.

## 7 Speaking Dialog



► Practice the dialog below with a partner using the expressions you have learned in this unit. Practice again, exchanging the underlined expressions with the expressions in Conversation 1 and 2.

Professor: 1 Who do you live with?

Astro: I 2 live with my parents.

Professor: I see. And 3 do you have any brothers or sisters?

Astro: I 4 have one brother and one sister.

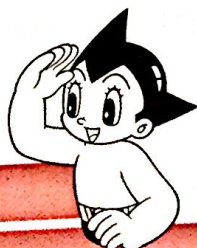
### Conversation 1

- 1 What do you want to do in future?
- 2 want to study French
- 3 where do you want to study
- 4 want to study in Paris

### Conversation 2

- 1 What are you good at?
- 2 am good at English
- 3 where did you study it
- 4 studied in London

## Did You Know?



手塚治虫は兵庫県の宝塚という町で育ちました。手塚は世界でも唯一の女性だけからなる「宝塚歌劇団」のファンでもあり、それは彼の作品に大きな影響を与えたようです。手塚が4歳の頃には、近くに住んでいる宝塚歌劇団のスターたちに遊んでもらっていた写真も残っています(手塚治虫記念館参考)。例えば、彼の代表作の一つ、『リボンの騎士』は宝塚スターをモデルにしたそうです。手塚自身も若い頃、劇団に参加し演劇に没頭していた時期もありました。もっと手塚治虫について知りたい人は、宝塚大劇場の隣にある手塚治虫記念館 (<http://www.city.takarazuka.hyogo.jp/tezuka/>) に是非立ち寄ってみてくださいね。



## ► Part 1: You are Professor Ochanomizu. Put the explanation about Astro into English.

こんにちは。私はお茶の水博士です。みなさんにアトム誕生について説明しましょう。アトムの誕生日は2003年4月7日です。アトムを最初に作ったのはテンマ博士(Dr. Tenma)です。彼は交通事故で亡くなった息子、トビオに似せてロボットを作り、「トビオ」と呼んでいました。トビオは人間に等しい感情と能力を持っていました。テンマ博士はトビオが人間のように成長しないので、腹を立てて、サーカスに売ってしまったのです。その後、私がトビオを見つけて、面倒をみて、アトムと名づけたのです。

► 感情: emotions 能力: abilities 成長する: grow 名づける: name

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## ► Part 2: Think of a character who appears in the Astro Boy series and write an introduction in English.

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