

## 6. “Learn from a successful person in show business”

- A sharp tongue makes you feel better.

Takeshi Kitano is a person whose reactions are very interesting. He uses physical reactions, such as inclining his head several times during a conversation, in order to impact others. Performance using the whole body is aurally and visually appealing, which is why it is widely seen in politics. In addition, Mr. Kitano sometimes acts or speaks in a capricious manner, which may be seen as negative in a normal situation. Examples of this so far are having a motorcycle accident and making a raid on the editorial department of, “*FRIDAY*”, a weekly magazine which is like, “*People*.”

However, Mr. Kitano is a successful person in show business because he has the gift of making negative things seem positive by his complete understanding and the ability to control the feeling of others around him. He excels at selling his abilities, involving competent people around him with his projects, and drawing from others’ sympathy. Because of this, he is often referred to as one with a “blistering tongue,” but it never sounds nasty. He might be a successful person because his “blistering tongue” is making people feel comfortable. His unique ability has been built on the careful observation of people and the consideration of people and their situations. No one doubts that his popularity will last a long time.

In addition to Mr. Kitano, other showbiz talents teach us a lot. A good example is Mr. Noriyuki Higashiyama, who is a very famous talent as a stoic striver. It has been said that how he built his current position in the showbiz industry is a secret. He is a member of Shonentai (which means “Regiment of Boys,” a three-member Japanese idol group). Mr. Katsuhide Uekusa and Mr. Kazukiyo Nishikiori are the other group members. Thus, Mr. Higashiyama was in the same position as them in his youth.

However, only Mr. Higashiyama got placed in a higher rank among the three. The secret is that Ms. Mitsuko Mori, who is a mogul in the Japanese showbiz industry, tenderly loved Mr. Higashiyama. It is still a mystery whether or not they were in a romantic relationship, but Mr. Higashiyama was able to build a strong social network because of knowing her.

A successful person in the showbiz industry needs a powerful social network. Thus, we can learn a lot from watching TV.