

DO YOU LIKE IT HERE?

Lesson Fifty-Eight

Objectives: This lesson exposes you to some pictures about life in Kiribati. You'll have the opportunity to study these, as well as to construct your own (early) opinions of the life on a Pacific atoll.

Activities: Study the dialogue. When you feel comfortable with it, try it writing a letter, as if to one of the other volunteers in Kiribati, telling how you feel about the life and activities.

Translation
of Dialogue:

Do you like it here?

Are you enjoying your stay here?

Yes, I like Kiribati very much.

What in particular do you like?

The people are friendly, and the country is beautiful.

Aren't you home-sick?

Yes, there are some things that remind me of my country, but this place is very peaceful. There is no noise - few people and no TV.

KO KUKUREI IKAI?

Reirei Nimabwi Ma Waniua



Dialogue
for Study:

Ko kukurei ikai?

Ko kukurei n tikum ikai?

E eng, I rangi n tangira Kiribati.

Teraa ae ko tangiria iai?

A rangi n iraorao kaaina ao e rangi n tikiraoi te aba.

Ko aki uringa abam?

E eng, iai b'aa'i tabeua aika I uring iai abau ma e bon rangi n rau te tabo aei. Akea iai te karongoa - ti tabeman aomata ao akea naba te TV.

Additional
Activities:

Study the continuation of the dialogue. Give a short talk, without writing it out first, on your feelings about being in Kiribati, and some of the things you hope will happen during your stay.

Translation
of Continuation
of Dialogue:

How's the life here?

You need less money here. People can live without buying things with money. They know how to get food from the land and the sea.

I understand what you're saying. Maybe it's very different from the kind of life you're used to.

Yes, its very different. But I like it a lot here, and I'm very happy here.

Outside
Activities:

What kinds of opinions do I Kiribati have about life in America? How accurate are they? Do they think of it as a good place or bad? Where do most of these opinions come from? Are people surprised at the things you tell them of life back home? What things in particular?

Continuation
of Dialogue:

E uara te maiu ikai?

Kaanga e uareereke te kabane m'ane iai. A boni
kcnaa ni kareke maiuia aomata n aki kabooa n te
m'ane. A rabakau ni kakaai kanaia iaon te aba ao
i taari.

E a oota nanou n am taeka. Tao e na bon rangi n
Kaokoro ma aroni maium are ko a tia n taneiai iai.

E eng, e bon rangi ni kaokoro. Ma l rangi n tangira
ikai, ao riki l rangi ni kukurei ikai.