



Advanced Reading

- ▶ 東京地方裁判所の判決理由はなんでしょう？
- ▶ 弁護団によると、被告が犯行に及んだ理由は何でしょう？
- ▶ この事件は社会にどんな影響をもたらしているでしょう？

What emotion let him to abusing his stepchild?

☆ Let's use "Yes, and"

Model

A: I think _____.

B: Yes, and _____.

C: Yes, and _____.

What does “to try to be a father” really mean?

☆ Let’s use “Yes, and”

Model

A: I think it means _____.

B: Yes, and _____.

C: Yes, and _____.

Let's talk!



I became a stepmother of two boys, and sometimes I'm afraid if I will be able to be a good mother for them and feel lonely. Would you give me some advice?

Answer model

I think what is important is to keep showing your affection to your step children even though you feel lonely and can't feel any return from them. I used to feel so when I became a stepmother of four small children, and it had continued for six years until I felt I was welcomed. As long as you keep loving, the day will surely come when your stepchildren come to realize your love is no less favorable than that of their real parents.

Replay model

I really thank you for your advice. I realize how important it is to be patient even if I feel lonely and try to make myself believe that they love me as much as I love them. I am going to wait for the day to come when I will be able to feel the way you did.