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な	V-たいなと思って + sentence	Inf. form + と思うんです(だ)けど
-Express opinions / feelings casually	"I thought I wanted to so..."	"I think...but"
-Used with other adjectives to sound expressive. Can also be used when talking to yourself	-Used with both casual and formal sentences	
-Often used with V-たい, N + ほしい	なんか甘いものが食べたいなと思って、コンビニでケーキを買った。I thought, "I want to eat something sweet" and bought a cake at a convenience store.	みんな知ってると思うんですけど、日本はすごく安全です。I think everyone knows it but Japan is very safe.
すごいな。Wow, it's impressive!	SAME W/: 甘いものが食べたくて、コンビニでケーキを買った。I wanted to eat something sweet so I bought a cake at a convenience store.	聞いたことがあると思うんですけど、I think you have heard of it but...
ラーメン食べたいな。I want to eat ramen. (Sounds more expressive; does not matter if there are other people around because it sounds like you are talking to yourself.)	日本の【文化】ぶんかをもっと【学びたい】まなびたいなと思って、日本に来ました。I thought "I want to learn more about Japanese culture" and came to Japan	遅れると思うけど、できるだけ早く行こう。I think I will be late but I will go as early as possible.

みたいな USAGES

👉みたいな / って感じ "To quote speech: "It's like"	👉To quote speech: "I was like" "She was like"	👉"Like" to soften and avoid sounding too direct and harsh	👉"Sorta" for very casual convo
もう絶対、【流暢】りゅうちょうになることはない、みたいな。It's like, I'll never be fluent again.	To express what you are thinking.	もう行かない？ みたいな。Like, let's get going.	なんかあの、あいつのことが好きみたいな気がする。I sorta like him.
【流暢】りゅうちょう : fluent (in a language); flowing	「走るのめんどくさいわ」みたいな。I was like, "I feel lazy to run."	(Note: 「もう行こうよ！」"Let's go! without みたいな sounds too direct and a bit harsh.	ちょっとあの人たちのことが心配みたいな気もした。I was sorta worried about them.

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みたいな USAGES (cont)

Or 「どんなちやうんだろう？」みたいな感じ。"I was like, what's going to happen?"

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!□!□Note: みたい means "It looks like; it's like (N)" but if you add な, meaning changes to "It's like (sentence)" like a filler.

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って感じ / っていう感じです

みたいな感じ

"It's like" "I'm like" "She's like"

"It's like"

Originally: っていう感じ Lit. "It's feeling like..."

To express what you are thinking

!□!□DON'Ts: Cannot use to quote what you said or what someone said and tell a story. みたいな shall be used

みたいな感じで is used to quote what you are saying instead of みたいな when you are going to connect to another sentence.

あつたら食べるって感じ。 It's like you eat it if it's there.

【実際】じっさいに会えたね、やったー！」みたいな感じでハグして、【生徒】 - せいとさんと。 I was like, "Yay, We could finally meet in person!" And hugged my student.

A. 【意気投合】いきとうごうしたって感じ？ It's like, you guys hit it off?

よしとは、好きだけど、どうなっちゃうんだろう？みたいな感じ。 I like Yoshi but I was like, "What's going to happen?"

B. 気づいたら、世界【一周】いっしゅうしていたっていう感じ。 It's like the next moment I found myself traveling around the world.

「じゃ、このまま世界【一周】いっしゅうしちゃう？」みたいな感じで、いろいろ【回った】まわった。 We were like, "Then, let's go travel around the world" and we traveled around.

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!□!□Note: って感じ、みたいな、みたいな感じ can be used as a filler, "it's like. But unlike みたいな、って感じ cannot be used to quote what someone said.

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感じだった

ような感じ

"Like" "Kind of"; same usage as みたいな but more softer

"Kind of" Pronounced as: "kaindav" slang. It seems that the vague feeling that "kind of " has become weaker.

彼はちょっと変、みたいな感じだった。 He was kind of strange.

その、ちょっと危ない、というような感じがします。 I mean, kind of, this might be dangerous.

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「あー、俺クソだわ」みたいな感じだった。 I was like, "Oh no, I'm a piece of shit".

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みたいな感じで、～

"It's like...and" "He's/She's like...and"

Adding **で** to **みたいな感じで** is used to quote what you are saying instead of **みたいな** when you are going to connect to another sentence.

「【実際】じっさいに会えたね、やったー！」みたいな感じでハグして、【生徒】せいとさんと。 I was like, "Yay, We could finally meet in person!" And hugged my student.

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みたいな感じでした / だった

"I was like..."

意味はlikeと同じで、ニュアンスを【柔らかく】やわらくすることができます。

「あー、俺クソだわ」みたいな感じだった。 I was like, "Oh no, I'm a piece of shit".

彼はちょっと変、みたいな感じだった。 He was kind of strange.

みたいな感じ

👉 "I was like"

👉 "Kinda"

👉 "Sort of" in between to avoid too direct

👉 "Like (NOUN)" Can be used when you explain something using something else.

To quote what you are saying.

あいつちょっと変、みたいな感じだよ。 He was kinda strange.

彼のことをちょっと好きみたいな感じがするけど、どうしてかはわからない。 I sort of like him, but don't know why.

そうめんは、うどんみたいなもの。

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みたいな感じ (cont)

「じゃ、世界【一周】いっしゅうしちやう？」みたいな感じでいろいろ【回った】まわった。We were like, "Then let's go travel around the world" and we traveled around the world.

OR そうめんは、うどんみたいな感じ。Soumen is something like udon.

V-plain んだ OR Noun; な + なんだ

👉 When you discover something new or found out something

👉 When you discover something. Said to yourself as well.

A. 最近あまり行っていませんけど、でも昔は【毎年】まいとし神社に行つて。まあ、【お正月】おしょうがつつて、みんな家族のところに帰るから。昔からの友達とも会えるし。I haven't been there lately, but I used to go to the shrine every year. Well, New Year's Day is the time when everyone goes home to their families. I could see my old friends.

あつ、ここにあつたんだ！ Oh, it was here!

B. みんな、例えば、東京に住んでいたとしても、【年末】ねんまつ【実家】じつかに帰る人が多いですね。日本人は。Even if everyone lives in Tokyo, at the end of the year, a lot of Japanese people go back to their hometowns.

モール(が)できたんだ。Oh, there is a new mall.

A. そう、だからみんなが地元に戻るから、すごい【道路】どうろが【渋滞】じゅうたたいしたり【新幹線】しんかんせん のチケットが取れなかったりします。So, because everyone goes back to their hometowns, there's a heavy traffic or bullet train tickets are sometimes hard to get.

B. あつ、【大晦日】おおみそかの夜に行くんだ。Oh (I see), you go there at night on the New Year's Eve.

!□!□Note: あつ (in the beginning) is used when you hear something unexpected or something you didn't know.

Common Expression: そうなんだ！ / そうなんですな。(Oh, I see!; I didn't know.)

とにかく

👉 とにかく

👉 とにかく + Command

👉 とにかく + Adjective

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とにかく (cont)

"Anyway" Implies that what I said is not as important as what I am about to say now.

"Just" Just forget what you're doing and any other things do what I said.

"Just; Simply" Can also be used to describe the frequency of an adjective

話がそれたときに使います。 You use it when you get off the subject.

とにかく来て！ Just come!

とにかくすごい！ Just amazing!

話がそれる : to get off track/topic

とにかくやってみて。 Just try doing it!

□□とにかく面白い！ Just interesting!

昨日 スーパーで【普通】部長の【奥】おくさんにバツクリ会ってね。。。 Yesterday I bumped into the manager's wife at the supermarket and...

□□すごく面白い！ Very interesting!

そう言えば、【普通】部長の【奥】おくさんは本当に背が高いの。モデルさんみたい。 Speaking of which, (she's) manager's wife is really tall. She looks like a model.

□□とても面白い！ Very interesting!

とにかく、奥さんによると、部長は家で私のことをよく褒めてくれるみたいで、 Anyway, according to the wife, my manager seems to praise me a lot even at home and...

給料が上がるかも。 Maybe my salary will increase.

バツクリ会ウ : to run into somebody (バツクリ is usually used with 会う)

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☞【凹む】へこむ

☞【落ち込む】おちこむ

☞【焦る】あせる

"To get dented / to feel down; to be bummed" Usually used in Hiragana but can also be used in Kanji. Kanji has dent in it so it is easily be remembered.

"To feel down; to feel depressed"

"To panic; to get flustered; to be in a hurry"



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A. どうしたの？ What's wrong?

落ち込んでいる。 / 凹んで
る。 I'm feeling down. / I'm
feeling bummed.

焦っている。 I'm panicking. (You feel stressed
out when somebody commands you to be
hurry)

B. 欲しかったピカチュウのぬいぐるみが売り切れで、凹ん
でる。 The Pikachu plush I wanted is sold put and I'm feeling
down/I'm bummed.

焦らないで / 焦らなくていいよ。 Don't panic. /
No need to rush.

A. そんなにへこまないでよ。 Don't be so bummed out.

焦らなくていいよ。 / あわてなくていいよ。
Don't panic. / No need to rush.

【無くした】なくしたかと思って、【焦っ
た】あせった。 I thought I lost it (but I didn't)
and I panicked.

【壊した】こわしたかと思って、【焦った】
あせった。 I panicked because I thought I
broke it (but I didn't).

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