## Does money have too much influence on politics?

I believe that money has too much of an influence on every aspect of our lives. I also think that it has a great impact on politics. I would like to present two politicians as examples: Kakuei Tanaka and Barack Obama.

First, Kakuei Tanaka, a former Prime Minister of Japan, resigned from his position. He is one of the most popular politicians in Japan because he succeeded in reconciling with China after World War II. However, he was taking a bribe from a company in the US during his tenure. When this scandal was revealed by the media, he had no other choice but to quit his position as prime minister in spite of his great achievements in Japanese history. His career as a politician was over due to monetary greed.

Second, Barack Obama, a former president of the United States, was elected president thanks to monetary donations. Before he became a candidate, he was almost unknown to the public. However, once he started to become famous, he obtained a lot of donations from his supporters. As a result, he became the most politically powerful man in the world. His victory was partly due to money.

As these examples show, money has too much influence on politics. Politicians will ask for money to become more powerful.