



# Trump chides Japan over trade imbalance

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*U.S. President Donald Trump urged Japanese business leaders on Saturday to increase their investment in the United States while he chided Japan for having a "substantial edge" on trade that negotiators were trying to even out in a bilateral deal.*

- 1-1. U.S. President Donald Trump \_\_\_\_\_  
1-2. by taking a dig at Tokyo \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. PRESIDENTIAL DONALD TRUMP, SAYING:

"I would say that Japan has had a substantial edge for many many years, but that's OK. Maybe that's why you like us so much. But we'll get it a little bit more fair, I think. I think we'll do that."

2. Trump arrived in Japan on Saturday for a largely ceremonial visit \_\_\_\_\_

3. Tensions are simmering \_\_\_\_\_

- 4-1. Though a trade deal is \_\_\_\_\_

- 4-2. Trump nonetheless \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. PRESIDENTIAL DONALD TRUMP, SAYING:

"With this deal, we hope to address the trade imbalance, remove barriers to United States exports and ensure fairness and reciprocity in our relationship. And we're getting closer."

5. Trump also urged Japanese business leaders to increase their investment in the U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Trump will meet Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe on Sunday \_\_\_\_\_

[Vocabulary]

☐ **state visit**: a formal visit by a head of state to another country, at the invitation of that country's head of state

• *The president of Czechoslovakia is in Washington on a state visit.*

☐ **take a dig at**: to make a mocking, sarcastic, or insulting remark, gibe, or criticism at someone's or something's expense

• *I'm really not trying to take a dig at you. I'm just trying to give you some constructive feedback.*

☐ **substantial**: large in amount or degree ; used about large amounts of money

• *We have substantial experience in this area.*

☐ **imbalance**: a situation in which the balance between two things is not equal or fair

• *There is huge economic imbalance between the two countries.*

☐ **edge**: an advantage that makes someone or something more successful than other people or things

• *The new technology gave the camera manufacturer a significant edge over its rivals.*

☐ **ceremonial**: a ceremonial event follows a formal or traditional pattern

• *This drum is only used on ceremonial occasions.*

☐ **ceremonial visit**: state visit

☐ **showcase**: to show someone or something in a way that attracts attention and emphasizes their good qualities

• *a comedy sketch that showcases their unique style of humor*

☐ **problematic**: involving or causing problems

• *Obesity is increasingly problematic.*

☐ **simmer**: to be in a state of suppressed anger or excitement; If a conflict or a quarrel simmers, it does not actually happen for a period of time, but eventually builds up to the point where it does.

• *She was simmering with resentment.*

☐ **deal**: a formal agreement, especially in business or politics

☐ **trade deal**: trade agreement: trade pact ; a wide-ranging taxes, tariff and trade treaty that often includes investment guarantees. ☐ **finalize**: to make the final decisions or arrangements concerning something

• *We still need to finalize a few details.*

☐ **nonetheless**: despite what has just been said. The more usual word is nevertheless.

• *He has many faults, but I love him nonetheless.*

☐ **make progress**: to move forward in one's work or activity

• *I wasn't able to make much progress on the presentation today.*

☐ **address**: to try to deal with a problem or question, for example by thinking carefully about it, or by doing things to improve a situation

• *Governments have been slow to address the problem of global warming.*

☐ **remove**: to get rid of a problem, difficulty, or something that annoys you

• *I am writing to request that you remove the following three conditions from the contract.*

☐ **ensure**: to make certain that something happens or is done

• *Airports are taking steps to ensure passenger safety.*

☐ **reciprocity**: When two or more people or nations have equal exchanges of goods or services, they are enjoying reciprocity, a situation where each enjoys an equal benefit from the relationship; mutual exchange of commercial or other privileges; a relation of mutual dependence or action or influence

• *The Community intends to start discussions on reciprocity with third countries.*