

You are studying about the sharing economy. You have found an article about a sharing network called “Little Free Library.”

Little Free Library is a non-profit organization that aims to inspire people to read and help bring communities closer together. Little Free Library is a neighborhood book exchange where everyone is invited to take a book or leave a book. Anyone can volunteer and start by placing an exchange in their yard. The purpose of these libraries is to ensure that everyone can read good books, regardless of their income or circumstances. One of the best ways to improve children’s literacy is to give them access to books. However, more than half of low-income families don’t have any suitable books for their kids at home. Currently, there are over 80,000 public book exchanges registered with Little Free Libraries all around the world. Through these libraries in 88 countries, millions of books are exchanged every year. These book exchanges play an important role in the community by providing access at any time to books in areas where books are limited.

To start a library in your neighborhood, there are five main steps. First, find a location and a manager. You need to find a location where you can legally and safely install the library. It must be easy to access, have lots of foot traffic, and be clearly visible to anyone nearby. Once a location has been picked, you need to identify at least one manager to clean and promote the library. The second step is to build the library. You can build your own, or you can find someone with carpentry skills who can assist you in this project. Once it’s built, the third step is to register your library. Registering it makes your library official and a part of Little Free Libraries. You will also receive a unique grant number and a sign to attach to your library. The fourth step is to build support. Informing your community about the Little Free Library is an important step in getting support and the participation of resources. Tell your family, friends and neighbors, post signs, use social media. The more people who know, the better. Lastly, the fifth step is to add your

library to the world map. The ultimate promotion is to let the whole world know about your library. This is also a great opportunity to hold an opening ceremony for in community.

Here are some tips on building a Little Free Library. Use recycled materials if possible. Build the library to last by using screws and going over it with several coats of paint or sealer. Most libraries are approximately 50 cm wide by 40 cm deep by 45 cm high and stand on a 10 cm by 10 cm wooden post. The library should be 90 cm above the ground and the post buried 60 cm underground. It should also have a door with windows for people to see what’s inside. Now, go out there and start your library!

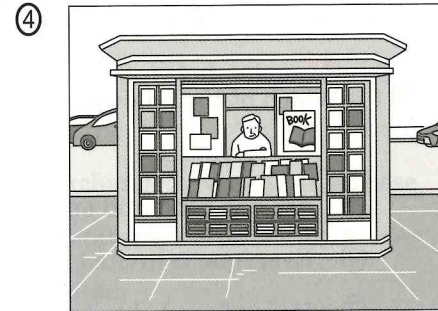
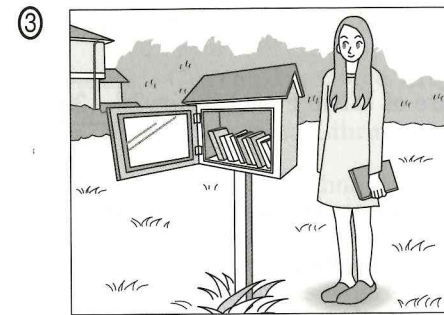
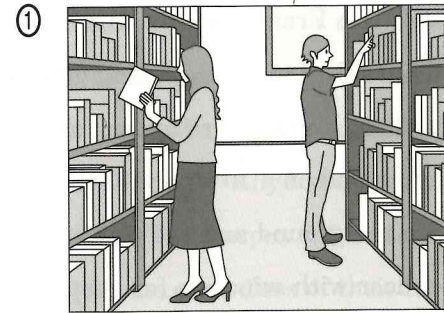
問1 Which of the following is a feature of Little Free Library?

- ① Anyone can build one provided they apply for a license.
- ② Everyone is invited to buy and sell books there.
- ③ It was founded to bring more money to poor neighborhoods.
- ④ Its main purpose is to provide books to anyone at any time.

問2 According to the article, which of the following is recommended for starting a Little Free Library? (Choose two options. The order does not matter.)  ·

- ① Build it out of metal in order to make it last.
- ② Find a safe and visible spot where many people pass by.
- ③ Hire a security guard to take care of the library and the books inside.
- ④ Pay for advertising to bring more visitors to your library.
- ⑤ Register your library to make it an official Little Free Library.

問3 Out of the following four pictures, which illustrates a Little Free Library the best?



問4 The best title for this article is .

- ① Problems with Neighborhood Book Exchanges
- ② The History of Little Free Library
- ③ The Importance of Books for Future Generations
- ④ What Little Free Libraries Are and How to Get Started