

You plan to stay at a hotel called the Ito Family Bed and Breakfast (B&B). The owners of the hotel have sent you an e-mail introducing themselves and giving instructions for your stay next weekend.

Dear Guest,

We apologise for the late reply.

We're happy you chose to stay with us! Our family hotel was started in 1980 by Mike's parents. We're proud to continue the tradition.

Breakfast is served daily from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Vegetarian meals are available. Please tell us your food choices by 9 p.m. the night before. We grow some fruits and vegetables in our garden and buy healthy foods from local farms.

We ask that you arrive after 2 p.m. but before 9 p.m. on your first day and check out by 11 a.m. on your last day. Please call us to ask for an earlier arrival or later check-out.

Our B&B is a five-minute walk from St. John's Wood tube station.

We look forward to meeting you.

Yumi and Michael Ito

問1 The primary purpose of the e-mail is to .

- ① describe foods served for breakfast
- ② help people make reservations
- ③ invite visitors to their hotel
- ④ share a schedule with guests

問2 Meals at the hotel .

- ① consist entirely of locally grown fruits
- ② include a vegetarian option
- ③ must be ordered by 9 a.m.
- ④ use meat from the owner's farm

You have visited your city's website and found an interesting notice.

Call for student speakers: Health Day

The city is having a student event at the City Hall on April 26. High school students are invited to submit an essay on one of three health topics.

Eating a balanced diet

A balanced diet is one of the keys to healthy living. How can we help youth learn about eating healthy food?

Healthy use of social media

Youth today often use computers and smartphones. How can we teach today's youth how to control their Internet time?

Exercise

Today's youth are busy with things that don't require physical activity. How can we encourage youth to exercise and stay healthy?

Schedule

March 1: Send a one-page letter of interest and describe your thoughts.

April 10: Submit your finished ten-page essay.

April 20: Announcement of results.

April 25: Welcome dinner for the top five student speakers.

April 26: The finalists will speak in front of city employees, teachers, and the general public.

To send a letter of interest, click [here](#).

The deadline is 5 p.m. March 1.

問1 The purpose of this notice is to find students to .

- ① be judges at a city event
- ② create a plan to host a city event
- ③ participate in a dietary study
- ④ talk about their ideas at a city event

問2 Students who reply to this notice will .

- ① attend an exercise program
- ② pick one topic area and develop an idea
- ③ share their views about high school
- ④ show the importance of the Internet

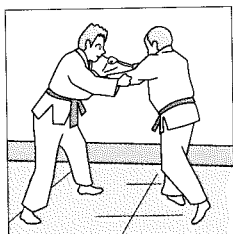
問3 Students who attend the final event will .

- ① meet other participants before the date of the event
- ② receive awards presented by city employees
- ③ talk with the high school principal
- ④ work with other participants to make a speech

You are a college student and planning to join a club. You found a poster for new students.

Welcome to the University Judo Club

Have you ever thought about trying this unique sport? It's good for being healthy and having confidence. You also learn respect for others. Our club was established in 2002. All are welcome, from beginners to the very experienced. Come and enjoy yourself and make new friends.



Instructor

I'm John Carter and I run the university judo club. I have been doing judo for twelve years and won a gold medal in a tournament in London last year.

When, where and how often?

We practice Monday and Wednesday evenings, from 6-8 o'clock in the university's sports centre. You can come when you want and for as long as you want. Even 30 minutes is OK.

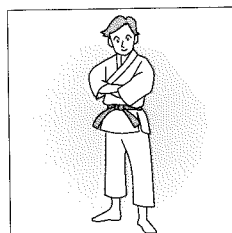
What will you need?

A judo uniform. For the first four lessons, you can borrow one until deciding if you want to continue. If you continue, you can buy a uniform for £40-£60.

How much does it cost to join and train?

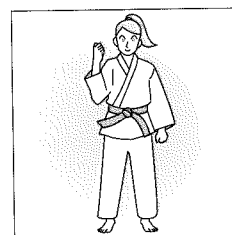
There's a small monthly fee to cover costs and to fix or replace any equipment. This is usually about £10 a month.

Comments from members



Robert Adams

John has a good sense of humour and has an official teaching licence. The other regulars are great judoka and really friendly. The training sessions are fun and really help you to improve, whatever your level.



Nancy Smith

My sister and I have trained at the club for two years now, and my judo has improved a lot. We've even managed to win some matches in tournaments.

For further information, please email us at: info@universityjudoclub.com

問1 One of the benefits of the judo club is that you can .

- ① enjoy running
- ② keep in shape
- ③ learn something by yourself
- ④ try a Japanese sport

問2 If you join the judo club, you will have to .

- ① bring your own judo uniform on the first day
- ② email the instructor every Monday
- ③ pay some money each month
- ④ train for two hours each time

問3 The club is good for someone who .

- ① has a part-time job every evening
- ② is looking to teach judo
- ③ is trying judo for the first time
- ④ wants something to do on the weekend

問4 According to the poster, one **fact** (not an opinion) about the judo club is that .

- ① judo is a very unusual sport
- ② the instructor won a competition
- ③ the training is fun
- ④ you will get better at judo

問5 According to the poster, one **opinion** (not a fact) about the judo club is that .

- ① it has been going for more than 12 years
- ② it's good for any level of judoka
- ③ the training is really hard
- ④ this club accepts female members

Your teacher gave you an article to help you prepare for a class debate. A part of the article with one of the comments is shown below.

Should Japan Accept More Foreign Workers?

By Tracy Jacks, London

9 December 2018, 10:10p.m.

On Dec. 8, Japan's government changed the law to allow more foreign laborers in Japan to make up for a shortage of Japanese workers. Some researchers say if the law wasn't changed, there could be a shortage of six million workers in Japan by as early as 2030. The change will create hundreds of thousands of visas for unskilled foreign laborers in areas such as construction and nursing.

Reactions to the decision vary among people. Some Japanese have mixed feelings. One man from Tokyo who runs a care home thinks that because of the change, Japan may lose its uniqueness. But he also expressed concern about his business, "My company depends on foreign laborers. Without them, I wouldn't have enough staff." Other Japanese agree. One fisherman said, "The changes are necessary. Our town just couldn't keep going without foreign workers."

Some commentators, though, are worried about possible problems between Japanese citizens and foreign workers, and that foreign workers may not be treated fairly. One said, "The changes are too ad hoc. The government needs to have a clear plan for how foreign workers will fit into Japanese society."

Comments

Newest

Richard Harrison 20 December 2018, 6:11 p.m.

Bringing in more foreign workers will do great things for diversity. However, giving out more temporary visas is only a short-term solution. The government must find ways to allow more women to work full time and must do all it can to encourage seniors to continue working too.

問1 According to the change explained in the article, the Japanese government wanted to .

- ① create more jobs in construction and nursing
- ② expand the size of the workforce in Japan
- ③ increase the number of foreign workers by six million
- ④ reduce the number of foreign workers in Japan

問2 Your team will oppose the debate topic, "More foreign workers should be allowed into Japan." In the article, one opinion (not a fact) helpful for your team is that .

- ① companies can hire Japanese workers
- ② some Japanese don't feel foreign workers are needed
- ③ the change could have an impact on Japan's identity
- ④ there will be an excess of workers

問3 The other team will support the debate topic. In the article, one opinion (not a fact) helpful for that team is that .

- ① a lot of Japanese think they could improve their English
- ② some Japanese companies depend on foreign labor
- ③ the Japanese aren't worried about being treated fairly
- ④ without foreign workers, some communities couldn't be sustained

問4 In the third paragraph of the article, "The changes are too ad hoc" means that the changes .

- ① are fair to foreigners
- ② are very clear
- ③ have not been well planned
- ④ will be great for Japanese society

問5 According to his comment, Richard Harrison the change stated in the article.

- ① has no particular opinion about
- ② partly agrees with
- ③ strongly agrees with
- ④ strongly disagrees with

You are preparing for a group presentation on learning a foreign language other than English for your class. You have found the article below.

[1] Most high school students in Japan learn English, but rarely do they learn other foreign languages in high school or middle school. This situation is not ideal as students will have a limited ability to communicate with foreign people who don't speak English. While technically the Ministry of Education allows the teaching of other foreign languages, schools would face many obstacles if they decide to teach additional foreign languages.

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[2] One obvious obstacle is a lack of experienced teaching staff. One solution is to recruit foreign people living in Japan as native-speaker teachers. Many non-Japanese, however, may find it difficult to secure stable employment status in the school employment system. Finding a full-time job with full benefits requires a teaching certificate typically earned from a Japanese university and the periodical recertification of teaching licenses require the use of Japanese during training. If only hired as temporary staff, foreign teachers may not continue in the Japanese school system and instead leave the school before gaining experience.

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[3] Another obstacle is people's general lack of understanding. Many people believe only English is necessary because people in most non-English speaking countries learn English. There are at least two problems with this reasoning. First, for many people, communicating in English is difficult even after studying it for many years in school. New immigrants to Japan may find it hard to communicate either in Japanese or in English. They can find support living in Japan if they can find more Japanese people who speak their language. Second, sometimes learning another language can help when learning English as many words in foreign languages are used in English. If you learn French, for example, you will find many French words used in English. The same can be said about languages such as Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, German, and Greek as they contributed a lot of vocabulary to the

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English language. Knowledge of another foreign language, therefore, may help improve one's English.

[4] Above all, there is an advantage for students if they are given the option to study an additional foreign language during middle school or high school. Thanks to the Internet, young people today have diverse hobbies and tend to pursue interests more freely than previous generations. Some students are excited about Korean singers, while others may be interested in music and dances from Latin America. When children have interests in specific cultures, they may be motivated to study the languages used in those cultures. There are many foreign people learning Japanese and many say their initial motivation to study the language was Japanese culture (i.g., anime or video games). If students are allowed to learn another language, they may become more motivated to study a foreign language.

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問1 According to the article, the author calls the current situation "not ideal" because students will .

- ① be able to speak only with English speakers
- ② be taking college entrance exams only in English
- ③ need to learn English well to communicate with foreigners
- ④ not be taught by experienced English teachers

問2 According to the article, one obstacle that foreign teachers face may be .

- ① difficulty communicating with teachers
- ② difficulty motivating students
- ③ their employment status
- ④ their immigration status

問3 In paragraph [3], the author referred to French to make a point that

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- ① a lot of French vocabulary has become part of the English language
- ② French culture can help students learn different cultural views
- ③ French is an example of a language spoken in many countries
- ④ not all French people speak English even though they learn it in school

問4 Which of the following statements best summarizes the article?

- ① Learning a foreign language other than English prevents students from learning English.
- ② Students' interest in a foreign culture can help them learn a language connected with that culture.
- ③ Thanks to the Ministry of Education, students in Japan have a chance to learn various foreign languages.
- ④ The Internet has made Japanese students have more diverse hobbies than before.

You are studying about the Japanese economy. You are going to read the following article to understand what is happening in the tourist industry in Japan.

From 2013 to 2018, Japan experienced a huge increase in the number of tourists coming to the country. While this was probably due to a general increase in tourism worldwide, it's largely thought to have come from the government's policy of relaxing visa restrictions and the cutting of red tape. In December 2018, the total number of tourists hit 30 million, three times that of 2013. This is despite the first year-on-year drop in the number of overseas visitors to Japan in September since 2013, which travel authorities claim was due to the natural disasters that hit Japan in the summer. As a result, Japan looks to be well on course to achieve its new aim of attracting 40 million tourists to the country next year, especially as it's hosting the Olympics then.

Most visitors are still from China and South Korea, and tourists from those countries also increased the most. From 2013 to 2017, the number of tourists from China and South Korea increased about five and a half times and nearly three times, respectively, to over 7 million each. The number of visitors from Taiwan also increased by about two and half times to just over 4.5 million over the same period, while those from the U.S. nearly doubled to almost 1.4 million. Visitors from other areas also increased. Tourists from Europe, Australia and Canada combined, for example, increased in a very similar way to that of the U.S. This means, of course, a huge boost to the Japanese economy. One study estimates that tourist revenue will increase from about 3.5 trillion yen in 2015 to 8 trillion yen in 2020.

Even with the massive economic boost to the Japanese economy, many locals, especially in places like Kyoto, aren't happy with "tourism pollution." They admit that money from overseas tourists is necessary given the drop in Japanese tourists, but it makes life difficult. The locals often can't use buses or book restaurants, and even walking along the streets is difficult because of the large number of tourists. There are problems, too, with littering and other types of misbehavior. These problems are being addressed, but more needs to be done. Guides on behavior have been produced, and people are

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being encouraged to visit places outside of peak hours and travel in the off season. Experts believe, too, that infrastructure and transport need to be improved to allow overseas tourists to access less visited places, including more traditional Japanese hotels.

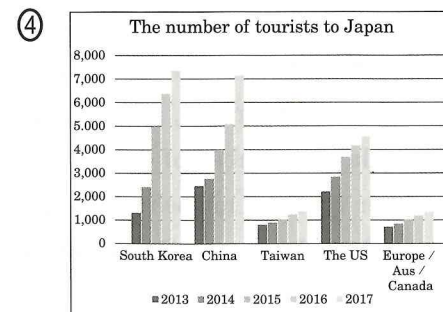
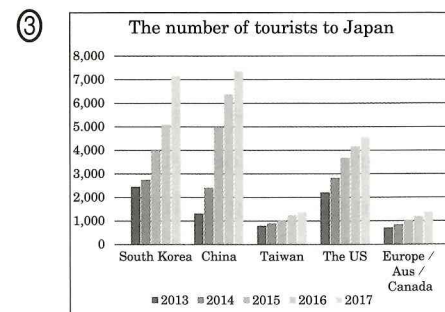
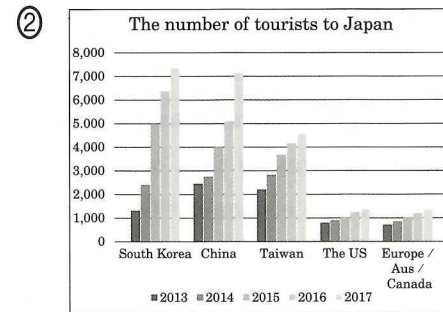
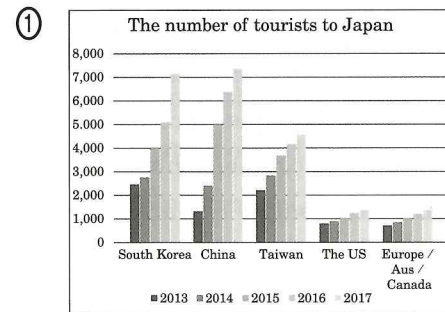
Japan wants the financial benefits that overseas tourists bring. At the same time, however, the country has to improve measures to deal with the associated problems.

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問1 The increase in tourism to Japan over the five years leading up to 2018, resulted mainly from .

- ① a decrease in the number of natural disasters
- ② an increase in the number of tourists around the world
- ③ the country being the host of the following Olympics
- ④ the government making it easier to enter Japan

問2 Of the following four graphs, which best illustrates the situation?



問3 According to the article, which two of the following best describe the current situation regarding tourism in Japan? (Choose two options. The order does not matter.) ·

- ① Many more travelers from abroad are visiting Japan than five years ago.
- ② The Japanese government is dealing well with the problems extra tourists cause.
- ③ The Japanese government wants to keep the number of tourists at current levels.
- ④ The number of Japanese tourists visiting local areas is also increasing.
- ⑤ Transportation should be improved to accommodate the increasing number of visitors.

問4 The best title for the article is .

- ① Dealing with the Problems of Tourism
- ② Finding Ways to Increase Tourism
- ③ International Tourism: Current Trends Around the World
- ④ Japan's Overseas Tourism: Achievements and Challenges