第 43 回海星学院杯中学生英語弁論大会

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1 Jimmy's Letter: Dear Grandma And Grandpa

Dear Grandma and Grandpa,

How are you? Are you fine? We are all fine, but it's still hot here in Japan. I'm really busy now at school.

Our school is going to have a Sports Day and a School Festival soon.

I'm going to run the boy's 400-meter relay. I'm training hard every day.

We are going to have some fun events. We are going to have an obstacle race, and a three-man race. I'm really excited about it. It's going to be a lot of fun.

Our class is going to make many big posters. Our theme is "The World is my Hometown." My friends Ayaka and Chihiro are going to draw pictures of many children and flags. Kenta, Daisuke, and I are going to paint the pictures. We are going to sing some folk songs, too. I'm going to play the guitar. Mom and Dad are going to come and see us. Dad is going to take a lot of photos.

That's all for now. Love you.

Jimmy

(170 words)

2 What Were These Before?

Do you like chicken meat? These are chickens. People keep them on a chicken farm. They are for our food. What were they before?

Do you like flowers? These are red tulips. They are spring flowers. The tulip is the national flower of the Netherlands. What were they before?

Do you know this insect? It is a black and yellow butterfly. It has four large wings and it can fly. What was it before?

Do you know this animal? This is a frog. It lives in water and on land. It has long black legs but has no tail. It jumps from place to place and it can swim. What was it before?

(113 words)

3 An Invitation From The Cardinal Hotel

The hotel opened in October, 1999. It's in the center of the city and only five minutes from the city's business and shopping areas.

There are 158 large guest rooms. You can choose a room with an ocean view or with a mountain view. There are two telephone lines, a fax machine, a CD player, and a DVD player in every room.

Breakfast is from 6:30 to 10:00 every morning in the restaurant on the second floor. There's also a coffee shop on the first floor, and we serve tea or coffee there all day. Don't miss the seafood dinner in the top floor dining room in the evening. The sunset over the ocean is beautiful. Come and stay with us.

(121 words)

4 Welcome To Cardinal Junior High School

Cardinal Junior High School is a small but very friendly school. Our school has three classes in each grade. We have about 20 girls and 10 boys in each class. Yes, we have more girls than boys. We have 25 teachers.

Our school has one main building, two gyms, and a big playground. We have two tennis courts and a swimming pool, too. We have a cafeteria, a library, and two computer rooms in the main building.

We have no classrooms on the first floor of the building. I am in grade 9 and my classroom is on the fourth floor. My sister Sue is in grade 7 and her classroom is on the second floor.

How many students do you have in your class? Do you have a swimming pool and a cafeteria in your school?

（137 words）

5 Australia And Japan

What do you know about Australia? Koalas and kangaroos? Let's take a look at Australia together, OK?

Japan has a much bigger population than Australia, and Japanese cities are more crowded than the cities in Australia.

The biggest city in Australia is Sydney, and the population is about 6.3 million. More than 12,000 Japanese are living there.

There is only a one-hour difference between Tokyo and Sydney, but the seasons are very different.

It's not winter in Australia in December, January, or February. Christmas in Australia is in summer. Santa likes surfing. It's nice and cool in August in Sydney, but Tokyo is hot and humid then.

There are not as many mountains in Australia as in Japan. The Darling River, the longest river in Australia, is 2,740 km long and it is much longer than the Shinano River, the longest river in Japan.

There are many other interesting differences between the two countries. Let's study and learn more about Australia.

(161 words)