

Q1: Today in Japan, many buildings and public areas have a lot of lights for decoration, such as the lights used during Christmas. Do you think this is a good idea?

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Q1:最近、建物や公共の場に多くのライトが設置されています。これは良いと思いますか？

A1:

I think it is a good idea to have lights in public spaces and on buildings. I have a couple of reasons.

First, lights can be very pretty and attractive. They can make buildings and public spaces look better. Many people like looking at lights, and sometimes they can even become tourist attractions.

Second, lights can improve public safety. Dark areas can be dangerous, and some people are afraid to go there. If we have many lights, people will be able to go there without being afraid.

So I think it is a good idea to have lights.

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A2:

I don't think it is a good idea to have many lights in public places just for decoration.

First, it is expensive to install lights. It can cost a lot of money to design light decorations, buy the lights, and set them up. This money could be used more effectively for other things.

Second, lights consume electricity. If we have many unnecessary lights we will use more electricity than we need to.

Recently in Japan there is a shortage of electricity, so I think we should save electricity by not having too many lights in public.

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Q2:最近、環境にやさしい商品を買う人がいます。このような商品を買うことは将来的により一般的になるとおもいますか？

A1:

I think people will buy more products that are good for the environment. I have a couple of reasons.

First, many people want to help the environment. They are happy to pay more money for products that do not harm the Earth.

Second, in the future technology will get better. We can use better technology to make more products that are good for the environment and it will cost less money to produce.

That is why people will buy more products that are good for the environment in the future.

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A2:

I don't think people will buy more products that are good for the environment in the future.

First, products that are good for the environment are expensive. In the future maybe many people don't have so much money to pay for expensive products..

Second, products that are good for the environment can be difficult to use. They are not as useful as regular products. Many people want to use products that are easy to use.

So I think people won't buy products that are good for the environment in the future.

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Q3: These days, many parents buy instant foods. Do you think more parents will do so in the future?

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Q3:最近、多くの親はインスタントフードを買います。将来的にこのような親がもっと増えると思いますか？

A1:

I think parents will buy more instant foods in the future.

First, instant foods are very cheap and easy to buy. You can buy them at convenience stores, supermarkets or Amazon. So they are very convenient and parents can save money.

Second, instant meals have a great variety. You can get nearly any food you want such as pasta, steak and pizza. There are also many different flavors. There are spicy options too.

That is why parents will buy more instant food in the future.

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A2:

I don't think parents will buy more instant food in the future.

First, instant food is not good for our health. There are not many vegetables so we cannot get enough vitamins. Instant food is also not fresh so it is not good.

Second, recently people are starting to care more about the environment and being healthy. Instant food has many plastics so many people won't buy it.

For these reasons I think parents won't buy more food in the future

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Q4:歴史をより理解するために大切な歴史場所を訪れる事は、人々にとって必要だと言う人がいます。あなたはこれに賛成しますか？

A1:

I think it is necessary for people to visit historical sites in order to learn about history. I have two reasons.

First, if people only learn history through books and videos we won't understand the true impact of historical events.

Second, some people don't learn through reading and some people don't learn well in class listening to a teacher. It is a good chance for students to learn by visiting a real historical site and interacting with history.

This is why I think it is necessary for people to visit historical sites.

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A2:

I don't think it is necessary to visit historical sites in order to learn about history.

First, it is very convenient for us to learn about history from books, teachers, movies and videos on YouTube. We can watch movies about world war 2. We can read a book about Vincent van Gogh. It is very useful.

Second, traveling to historical sites can be very expensive. We need to pay for transportation, accommodation, entrance tickets and so on.

This is why I don't think it is necessary to visit historical sites.

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Q5:日本は、日本で働く外国人をもっと多く受け入れるべきだと言う人がいます。あなたはこれに賛成しますか？

A1:

Yes, I think Japan should accept more people from other countries in the future.

First, Japan's population is in decline. In the future there will be a much higher elderly population with very few young people to support them. Without foreign people the country will struggle to survive.

Second, Japanese companies need more workers. There are not enough workers in Japan, so the government should make an effort to recruit people from other countries to work in Japan.

That is why I think Japan should accept more people from other countries in the future.

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A2:

I don't think Japan should accept more people from other countries in the future.

First, many foreign people cannot speak Japanese and many Japanese people cannot speak foreign languages. It will be difficult to communicate and understand each other.

Second, in the future Japan will have many robot workers in shops and retirement homes. So Japan doesn't need more people from other countries in the future.

That is why I don't think Japan should accept more people from other countries in the future.

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Q6:最近、多くの子供が小さい頃から英語を習い始めます。将来的にこのような子供の人数は増えると思いますか？

A1:

I think more children will start learning English from an early age in the future.

First, in the past people did not understand the importance of English in the world and so they didn't try to study it so much. Now, many younger parents know it is important and will make their children learn from a young age.

Second, students are learning English at schools at younger and younger ages. There are even schools that teach English to children that are two or three years old.

I definitely think that more children will start learning English at a younger age.

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A2:

I don't think children will start learning English from an early age in the future.

First, these days many people are interested in Korean pop culture. Many popular music groups are k-pop groups so I think children will want to learn Korean.

Second, English is very difficult to learn. Especially because we have so many tests already. Children won't have time to learn English and will be overworked.

I think It is not a good idea for children to learn English at an early age.

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Q7:最近、多くの日本人が海外で働いています。将来的にこのような人々は増えると思いますか？

A1:

I think that more Japanese people will work in foreign countries in the future.

First, recently the Japanese economy has been looking bad. It might be difficult to find a good job in Japan and Japanese currency might have a lower global value. Japanese people can earn better money and find better jobs in foreign countries.

Second, Japanese work culture is very difficult. People are expected to work hard even if they are sick or want a holiday with their family. It is a very difficult situation for people who want to enjoy family time or relax more.

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A2:

I don't think that more Japanese people will work in foreign countries in the future.

First, many foreign countries are dangerous. Strange people might take our smartphone or money which is very scary. In Japan we can be more safe.

Second, foreign countries use different languages which are difficult for Japanese people to learn. Some countries use English, Spanish, German and so on.

So I think it will be difficult for Japanese people to work in foreign countries in the future.

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Q8:最近、日本では多くの外国人が介護士として働いています。このような人は将来的に増えると思いますか？

A1:

I think more foreign people will work as care workers in the future.

First, Japan has many old people and in the future there will be even more elderly. There are too few young people in Japan to take care of them so Japan will need more foreign workers to help.

Second, foreign people from poorer countries are looking for opportunities to work in countries with stronger economies so they can earn more money. This will be a good chance for them to make a better living.

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A2:

I don't think more foreign people will work as care workers in the future. I have a few reasons.

First, in the future there will be more improvements to robot technology. It will be cheaper and easier for robots to assist people who need care takers.

Second, medicine continues to get better and better. In the future medicine can make life easier for people who need care so maybe they won't need the help from care workers.

That is why I don't think foreign people will work as care workers in the future.

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Q9:日本のほとんどの小学校では給食があります。これをやめるべきだという人もいます。あなたはこの意見に賛成ですか？

A1:

I agree with this opinion. I have two reasons.

First, school lunches are boring and lack variety. Often they offer the same or similar meals every week or two. The taste is also bland and I think home cooked meals are made based on what individuals prefer to eat.

Second, the quantity of food is often either not enough or even too little. Some people want to eat more food because they are hungrier. Others want to eat less food. Maybe some students need more energy as they play more sports, while others do not.

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A2:

I disagree with this opinion.

First, if schools stop providing lunch for students, parents will have to make lunch but they are already very busy. Many parents are working very hard at their jobs so it is not possible for them to make lunch every day.

Second, some parents are very bad at cooking. It will be sad for some students who either have no lunch or have a very bad tasting lunch.

This is why it is better for schools to provide lunch.

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Q10: Today, many people buy things with credit cards. Do you agree with doing this?

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Q10:最近、クレジットカードで買い物をする人が多くいます。あなたはこのような買い物の仕方に賛成ですか？

A1:

I think it is good to use credit cards.

First, with a credit card we can buy many things. People don't have to save money for a long time if they want to buy a very expensive item.

Second, using cards means we don't have to carry money around with us. It would be difficult to pay for something very expensive if we had to keep so much money in our wallet all the time. So it is convenient to pay by card.

That is why I think it is a good idea to use cards.

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A2:

I don't think it is a good idea to use credit cards.

First, using credit cards allows us to spend money that we don't actually have. This is a very dangerous practice that could lead us into a debt trap. We must pay interest for using a credit card and so the price of an item we want to buy costs much more than usual.

Second, criminals can steal credit card information and take money without us knowing. It is an easy way to lose money.

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